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▲ IFWV Chairman Paul Cardello and the veterans who won various giveaways including a Toshiba TV and earbuds. (Courtesy photo)

iPods for Wounded Veterans hosts event with local Elks Lodge 270

By **LIZZY HILL**
News Correspondent

WILMINGTON — On Saturday, July 20, Wilmington 501c3 nonprofit organization iPods for Wounded Veterans held a joint event with the Tewksbury-Wilmington Elks Lodge 2070 to benefit veterans. The event welcomed armed services veterans from Wilmington and Tewksbury and brought in about 35 veterans according to Tewksbury-Wilmington Elks member and Vietnam veteran Ray Metcalf.

Members of the Elks were joined by volunteers from IFWV along with student volunteers from Wilmington High School

and Austin Preparatory School. The event went from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. at the Elks Lodge outside in the grove.

iPods Chairman Paul Cardello named IFWV's sponsors for the event including but not limited to Scully's Signal Company, who donated three JBL rechargeable earbuds; Monteforte Law Firm, who donated a refurbished Apple Mac laptop; Wilmington Sons of Italy, who donated hats; Cornell University, who donated refurbished laptops; Stoneham Ford, who donated transportation to and from the event; Boston Graphics, who made banners and other graphics; Hudson RPM who do-

dated brand new magazines; and the Tewksbury-Wilmington Elks, donating \$500 along with the food, cooks and utensils. Guests were served hotdogs, cheeseburgers, pickles, chips, and cookies.

Metcalf described that the Tewksbury-Wilmington Elks Lodge held a fundraiser in April with oldies cover band The Reminisants and donated the \$500 left over after expenses to IFWV. They also donated food left over from other events for the veterans' benefit event that day.

Metcalf previously served as the Veterans Chair

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▲ IFWV Chairman Paul Cardello presents Wilmington Veterans Services Director Lou Cimaglia with an award for service to veterans. (Courtesy photo)

By **CASEY STEVENSON**
News Correspondent

WILMINGTON — The Massachusetts state primary is just about a month away, and Wilmington has released information to help citizens who plan to vote.

The primary takes place

State primary coming up on Sept. 3

on Sept. 3, from 7 a.m. to 8 p.m. The deadline to register to vote in time for this election, or change parties, is on Saturday, Aug. 24, at 5 p.m. when the Town Clerk's Office closes. Libertarian, Democrat, and Republican ballots will be available during the state primary. Sample ballots are available online, and all but two seats are uncontested at this time.

The two contested races are for the Register of Deeds on the Democrat

Ballot, with Joseph D Ready, Karen M Casella, and Sokhary Chan Chou running for the seat, and for Senator In Congress on the Republican Ballot, with John Deaton, Ian Cain, and Robert J Antonellis running for the seat.

Registration to vote, as well as checking voter registration, can be done online, and links are available on the Town of Wilmington website.

In addition, Nov. 5 is the date of the presidential election, happening from

7 a.m. to 8 p.m.

Voting early in-person is available for the state primary. It will all take place in the auditorium at Town Hall, at 121 Glen Road. Early in-person voting is available from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. on Saturday, Aug. 24, and from 8:30 a.m. - 4:30 p.m. from Monday, Aug. 26 through Friday, Aug. 30.

Vote by mail or absentee ballots are also available to residents, and applications must be completed every year. Both vote by mail and absentee ballots

can be requested via links online at the Town of Wilmington website. Ballots must be in the clerk's office by 8 p.m. on election day, whether that is Sept. 3 or Nov. 5.

Residents are advised NOT to bring absentee or mail-in ballots to polling locations, but instead to bring them to the Town Clerk's Office. The Town Clerk's Office is the only place where these ballots can be accepted.

Those voting in person on election day will be voting

in various precinct locations during election hours.

Precincts 1 and 2 will vote at the Boutwell School (17 Boutwell St.), precincts 3 and 4 will vote at the Wilmington High School (159 Church St.), and precincts 5 and 6 will vote at Town Hall (121 Glen Road). A precinct map is available digitally on the Town of Wilmington website.

Before voting, residents are advised to check their registration status, find their precinct, view a sample state primary ballot and brush up on what they are voting on, and bring an ID with a name and address.

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Wilmington Library News:

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Adult Programs

Needleworkers at Night

Monday, August 5, 6pm
These nighttime sessions are perfect for anyone who does any kind of needle craft but can't make it to Needleworkers during the day! This group meets every Monday night in the cozy seating area on the first floor of the Library.

Drop-in Tech Help

Tuesday, August 6, 2pm
Wednesday, August 7, 2pm
Saturday, August 10, 2pm
Have a tech question that's been bugging you? Stop by Drop-in Tech Help.

Youth Programs

Wilmington Community Playgroup

Monday, August 5, 10am
The Community Teamwork Family Resource Network is here weekly! Join CTI for a community playgroup where we'll work on Early Literacy skills and much, much more! Ask CTI about any resources they can help provide for you and your family. The first playgroup of every month will focus on infants and toddlers. Ages 0-6, siblings welcome

Hawk Story & STEM Activity

Monday, August 5, 3pm
Come listen to the story of the hawk and complete a STEM activity together! Grades K-5

Outdoor Preschool Storytime

Tuesday, August 6, 10am
Join us at our Preschool Storytime outside in the Peggy Kane Reading Garden! This program includes books, rhymes, music and movement. Ages 3-6

Olympic Minute to Win It

Tuesday, August 6, 6pm
We're bringing Paris 2024 to WML with an evening of Minute to Win It games! Grades 6-12

Outdoor Time for Twos

Wednesday, August 7, 10am
Join us at Time for Twos outside in the Peggy Kane Reading Garden! This program includes books, rhymes, music and movement. Age 2

Family Craft Night: Plastic Bag Bracelets
Wednesday, August 7, 6pm



Register now for our Hawk Story and STEM activity on Aug. 5 at 3 p.m.! Listen to the story of the hawk and complete a STEM activity together! This program is for grades K-5. (Courtesy photo)

Complete a craft together with your family! Upcycle plastic bags into awesome friendship bracelets to give to your loved ones! The Library will provide plastic bags for this craft, however, if you want a variety of colors, you may want to bring some from home as well. Ages 5+

Friday, August 9, 10:30am
With keyboard, felt board, finger puppets, and engaging visual props, Dara weaves songs (old and new favorites), fingerplays, rhythmic activities/simple instrument playing, and creative movement for a fun-filled musical 30-45 minute program. Lots of clapping, marching, singing, creative expression and FUN! Ages 2-5

Teen DnD

Saturday, August 10, 3pm
Interested in finding out more about this fantasy

tabletop role-playing game, or looking for a group to play with? This month's session will be IN PERSON at the library. You may also participate on Discord, a private server. We use DnDBeyond to track and create our characters. Grades 6-12

Additional Information

Book Store Next Door
The Book Store Next Door is open on Wednesdays and Saturdays from 10am to 4pm. Shop dis-

count books! Paperbacks for \$1 and hardcovers for \$2. The Book Store is staffed by volunteers from the Friends of the Library and all proceeds help support library programs.

Museum Passes

The library has discounted passes to your favorite Massachusetts museums, attractions, and state parks. Find the full list on our website!

WML In-Person Programming

Registration is required

WML Virtual Programming

The library continues to offer a variety of virtual events. Please note that registration is required in order to receive the Zoom link. Go to wilmlibrary.org to register or call 978-658-2967.

End of Summer Bash feat. Steve Blunt & Friends

Thursday, August 8, 5:30pm
Join us on the Town Common to celebrate the end of another fun summer with library raffles, lawn games, food trucks with treats available for purchase, and live music! All ages at the Town Common

Music with Dara

Anderson graduates from Emerson

BOSTON — Emerson College awarded approximately 1,045 undergraduate degrees to the Class of 2024 during the 144th Commencement at Agganis Arena in Boston, on Sunday, May 12, 2024.

• Savannah Andersen from Wilmington received a BFA in Media Arts Production.

During the ceremony, the College honored award-winning executives, creators, and Emersonians for their contributions and efforts to the arts, communication, and greater humanity.

Randy Barbato '82, acclaimed director, producer, and co-founder of World of Wonder, the

multi-platform entertainment company behind the Emmy Award-winning show "RuPaul's Drag Race," and Emerson Trustees Doug Holloway and Al Jaffe received honorary Doctor of Humane Letters degrees. Barbato '82 delivered the commencement address.

"I do want you to take the time to discover yourself in the world. Trust the timing in your life. Things will not turn out how you planned," said Barbato. "It's experiences that create the opportunities. It's the experiences that build your endurance and connections with another and remind you to refine your confidence."

About

Emerson College
Based in Boston, Massachusetts, opposite the historic Boston Common and in the heart of the city's Theatre District, Emerson College educates individuals who will solve problems and change the world through engaged leadership in communication and the arts, a mission informed by liberal learning.

The College has approximately 4,161 undergraduates and 554 graduate students from across the United States and nearly 70 countries. Supported by state-of-the-art facilities and a renowned faculty, stu-

dents participate in more than 90 student organizations and performance groups. Emerson is known for its experiential learning programs at Emerson Los Angeles, located in Hollywood, and at its 14th-century castle, in the Netherlands.

Additionally, there are opportunities to study in Washington, DC, London, China, and the Czech Republic, Spain, Austria, Greece, France, Ireland, Mexico, Cuba, England, and South Africa. The College has an active network of 51,000+ alumni who hold leadership positions in communication and the arts.

For more information, visit emerson.edu.

News and notes from WCTV

Hello friends and neighbors! Here's what's going on at WCTV!

NEW PROGRAMMING JUST FOR YOU!

Here's some programming we think you'll really enjoy!

Wilmington Firecracker 5K!

On a whim, at the 25th hour, recent WCTV interns and Wilmington High School Class of 2024 graduates, Braedon Almas and Jacob Doherty, decided to enter the Fun on the Fourth Firecracker 5K road race. We had them mic-ed up for what was

one wild ride!

Concerts on the Common "Ball in the House" showcases 1st concert of the season!

Local acapella group, "Ball in the House, took the stage on the Wilmington Town Common to open the highly anticipated 2024 season of concerts hosted by the Wilmington Recreation Department. For those who missed it and those who just want to experience this electrifying performance yet again, we are proud to present the full show! *These programs can be

viewed on WCTV channels or on WCTV's Youtube channel: WCTV Wilmington.

Meetings covered by WCTV:

Wednesday Aug. 7, 7 p.m. MSBA Wildwood School Bldg. Committee
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WCTV is located at 10 Waltham St., Wilmington

Office hours by appointment: (978) 657-4066.
Questions about WCTV? Contact: info@wctv.org.

It's Your Money by Todd Brisbois



Taxpayers and tax pros should learn about these common tax scams:

— PART I —

While scammers work hard during tax season to try to steal money, personal information and data, they also stay busy the rest of the year. Taxpayers and tax professionals should remain alert and aware of these common scams, schemes and cons to avoid losing money, personal information or client data.

Social media: Fraudulent form filing and bad advice
Social media can circulate inaccurate or misleading tax information, and the IRS has recently seen schemes that encourage people to submit false, inaccurate information in hopes of getting a refund or taking advantage of a credit, such as the Employee Retention Credit. Taxpayers should always remember that if something sounds too good to be true, it probably is.

Online Account help from third-party scammers
Swindlers pose as a "helpful" third party and offer to help create a taxpayer's IRS Online Account at IRS.gov. The scammers making these offers are trying to steal a taxpayer's personal information. Taxpayers should access their account directly through IRS.gov.

Phishing
Taxpayers and tax professionals should be alert to fake communications posing as legitimate organizations in the tax and financial community, including the IRS and the states. These messages arrive in the form of an unsolicited text or email to lure victims into providing valuable personal and financial information that can lead to identity theft.

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Don't let **Lifestyle** Blossom-End Rot ruin your tomatoes



By **HEATHER BURNS**
News Correspondent

Nothing is more satisfying for the home gardener than enjoying the first fruits of the season from the garden, which can often be the summer tomato.

After months of planning, preparation, planting and care, enjoying the literal fruits of your labor is an awarding (and delicious) experience.

Unfortunately, many summer garden favorites are prone to a number of unwanted diseases, pests and problems.

One of the most common and most disappointing of these garden ailments is Blossom-End Rot.

Blossom-End Rot is an extremely common vegetable garden problem for fruiting plants such as tomatoes, peppers, eggplants and squash.

In fact, this problem is so frequent that no one should view it as a failure of their gardening skills, as there are several causes of this problem that usually go unforeseen until the damage is done.

The tell tale sign of

Blossom-End Rot is a large, black, sunken-in spot of rot at the bottom of the tomato or vegetable.

There are several other ailments of the tomato plant that can cause spotting or rot spots, but they have different sources and solutions for their rot problems, and should not be confused with Blossom-End Rot.

Such other common diseases of the tomato plant include Anthracnose, a disease that affects the top and sides of the tomato, Late Blight, which causes lesions on the fruit, leaves and stem of the plant, and Sunclad, caused by overexposure to the sun and leaves white or yellow spots on the top and sides of a tomato.

While all of these problems can be devastating to the home gardener, Blossom-End Rot is typically the first and most common to rear its ugly head in your beloved vegetable garden.

There are several things that can contribute to Blossom-End Rot, but all lead to the real problem which is a lack of calcium to the plant.

Underwatering, especially during long periods of extreme heat like we have been experiencing this summer, can contribute to the problem of Blossom-End Rot. When plants become too dry, they lose the ability to extract the much needed nutrients from the soil.

The same can be said for overwatering. Too much water can flush away calcium and other nutrients from the soil, causing a damaging deficiency.

Unexpected, heavy tropical downpours that we can experience during the extreme temperatures of summer can also contribute to this problem.

When calcium levels within the plant become too low, it will destabilize the walls of the plant's fruit, allowing them to break down and rot.

This calcium deficiency often happens in early summer when the plant is at its fastest growing period.

Unfortunately, there is no way to stop Blossom-End Rot once it has started on the fruit, but the good news is it is not a disease, so it will not spread and it can be prevented

from happening to future fruit of the season.

It may be hard not to get discouraged at the first signs of Blossom-End Rot, but keep in mind it is a very normal occurrence for the first few fruits of the season.

For those with patio or container gardens, be aware that container plants are particularly prone to this condition because moisture levels fluctuate much more in potted plants than when plants are placed directly in the ground.

Maintaining consistent water levels is a key start to preventing further damage.

According to Espoma Organic Gardening Products, mature tomato plants on average require one to two inches of water per week, and more if plants are in containers.

For container gardens, make sure pots have proper drainage, and for in-ground gardens, the addition of mulch can be helpful in maintaining moisture levels by keeping soil moist but not waterlogged.

There are several products on the market that can improve your soil calcium levels that are made specifically for tomato and vegetable gardens.

If you prefer organic at home solutions, the addition of crushed egg shells to the soil can also improve your plant's calcium levels.

Also avoid disturbing the root system of the plant with excessive digging around established plants. This can interrupt the plants ability to uptake nutrients.

Don't be discouraged if Blossom-End Rot has affected the better part of your tomato crop. You can still salvage and eat the part of affected tomatoes that are still good. Simply cut off any rot and the remaining fruit of the tomato is still good to consume.

For those gardeners battling with tomato and other crops affected by Blossom-End Rot this summer, keep your chin and green thumb up, as all hope is not lost for the harvest season.

By making a few adjustments in your watering regime and the addition of calcium to your soil, you can expect the end of the harvest season to be a fruitful success.



▲► Blossom-End Rot is a common and disappointing ailment of fruiting plants such as tomatoes, peppers, eggplant and squash that can appear in your garden early in the growing season. The good news is it is not a disease, so it will not spread, and there are steps you can take to prevent it from happening to future crops in the season. (Heather Burns photos)



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OPINION

Tewksbury Water Department receives \$1.9M in grant money

BOSTON — The Healey-Driscoll Administration announced more than \$17.4 million in grant awards to 21 public water suppliers to assist with long-term solutions that address and mitigate emerging contaminants in drinking water. The Massachusetts Department of Environmental Protection (MassDEP) selected 21 projects to help remove PFAS and manganese.

"Contaminated drinking water poses a threat to public health and the environment if left unchecked. Small and disadvantaged public water systems face significant resource challenges when it comes to identifying and neutralizing these unregulated pollutants," said MassDEP Commissioner Bonnie Heiple. "This funding from the EPA provides significant support for these critical water projects as we work with public water suppliers to ensure safe and healthy drinking water for all residents across Massachusetts."

Launched in 2023 by the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA), the Emerging Contaminants in Small or Disadvantaged Communities (EC-SDC) Grant Program provides states with funds to assist small and disadvantaged communities in improving their drinking water through projects and activities that address emerging contaminants that are registered on EPA's Contaminant Candidate Lists (CCL). Water contaminants that are known or anticipated to occur in public water systems and are not currently subject to federal drinking water regulations are added to the list and prioritized for further information collection and action. The grant program is made possible through funding from the federal Bipartisan Infrastructure Law.

PFAS and manganese are among the list of unregulated contaminants that are increasingly impacting water resources. PFAS are a group of harmful man-made chemicals widely used in common consumer products, industrial processes, and in certain firefighting foams. Exposure to sufficiently elevated levels of PFAS compounds may cause a variety of health effects, including developmental effects in infants, impacts to certain organ functions and the immune system, and an elevated cancer risk. Manganese is a naturally occurring element that's present in water, soil, air, and food. While a small amount of manganese is necessary for good health, long-term exposure to high levels in drinking water may have adverse impacts to the nervous system.

The first round of projects selected by MassDEP and confirmed by EPA are awarded to the following public water suppliers:

ers:

Town of Ayer - \$135,000
The town will fund a pilot study to evaluate alternative PFAS removal process options at the Grove Pond Water Treatment Facility.

Tewksbury Water Department - \$1,936,000
The town will utilize these funds for a three-phase project for engineering design and construction to connect the Tewksbury State Hospital to the Town of Tewksbury's water distribution system.

Town of Westport - \$4,000,000
The Town of Westport provides drinking water to a small portion of town with water piped in from the City of Fall River's water system. The proposed project will extend the water main further east along Route 6, provide a loop at Gifford Road to service an elementary school, extend along Route 6 to provide service to some businesses and residents impacted by PFAS. Other public water systems being connected are Alice A. Macomber Primary School, Westport Plaza, Lickety Splits, and Maynard State LLC.

Town of Phillipston, Phillipston Memorial Building - \$90,290
The Phillipston Memorial Building was formerly used as a school but is now a multipurpose facility that includes town offices and meeting rooms for local groups. The town will use the funds to install PFAS treatment and to reopen the building as a school in the future.

Pepperell Water Department - \$5,175,000
The town will use the funding for a project to extend a water main from the Dunstable Water Department distribution system to the Pepperell Water Department system at Jersey Street in Pepperell.

Barnstable Fire District - \$2,388,000
The public water supplier will use the funds to construct a new 2.16-million-gallons-per-day drinking water treatment facility with Granulated Activated Carbon to remove PFAS at wells #2 and #5.

West Brookfield Water Department - \$113,900
The Town of West Brookfield plans to use this grant to design a treatment facility to treat manganese, and the town plans to eventually construct a new Leland Road water treatment facility.

North Raynham Water District - \$150,000
The public water supplier plans to rehabilitate an existing carbon vessel treatment to reduce PFAS to the lowest possible levels in their water system.

Upcoming local events

August 1, Tewksbury Community Market, Livingston Street Recreation Area — Over 30 vendors, food trucks, fresh produce, artisans, and community partners. 4 - 7 p.m.

August 2, Weekly Car Show, 4 p.m. to dark, in the Ocean State Job Lot/Papa Gino's plaza parking lot at 553 Main St.

August 4, Special Sunday opening at the Public Health Museum, Tours at 1 p.m., 1:30 p.m., and 2 p.m. Get tickets at publichealthmuseum.org

August 7, Magic Brush, Family Ceramic Night, safe, closed event for LGBTQIA+ families promoting safety and inclusivity, Must preregister-

\$35 for materials. 5:30 - 7:30 p.m. Contact MARIA RUGGIERO at 978-382-4989 or MRUGGIERO@TEWKSBURY-MA.GOV.

August 8, Blood Drive, Wamesit Masonic Lodge, Tewksbury, 9 a.m. - 7 p.m., redcrossblood.org to schedule an appointment.

August 15, Friends of the Library Papa Gino's fundraiser. 11 a.m. - 9 p.m. Tewksbury • 1900 Main Street • 978-851-6100 Tewksbury • 553 Main Street • 978-851-6221 — mention the Friends and 20% of your purchase will go to the Friends. Online orders use CODE: 19.

August 17, Tewksbury Veterans Services BBQ,

11 a.m. to 2 p.m., Tewksbury Senior Center, 175 Chandler Street, RESERVATION IS REQUIRED Call: 978-640-4485

August 31, Free paper shredding, Enterprise Bank, 910 Andover St., Tewksbury, 9 a.m. - noon. Limit 10 boxes per person. Staples okay but remove rubber bands or paperclips.

Thursdays, Saturdays, and the first Sunday of the month, Public Health Museum, 365 East St., Open for indoor and campus tours. Check website for times. PublicHealthMuseum.org

Book Store Next Door, Wednesdays and Saturdays, 10 a.m. - 4 p.m. The Book Store is staffed by volunteers from

the Friends of the Wilmington Public Library. All proceeds help support library programs. Next to Wilmington Public Library.

Sundays, Lowell Streetcar Museum, 11 a.m. - 4 p.m., Adults \$3, seniors and youth age 3-12 \$2, children under 3 are free. Cash only. 25 Shattuck St., Lowell.

Wilmington Town Museum, Mondays and Tuesdays, 10 a.m. - 2 p.m., Harnden Tavern, 430 Salem St. (Route 62), Wilmington

Middlesex Canal Museum, Saturdays and Sundays, Noon - 4 p.m., 71 Faulkner St., North Billerica

Housatonic Water Works Company - \$350,000

The Housatonic Water Works Company in Great Barrington plans to construct a new treatment facility to remove manganese from the drinking water source at Long Pond. The grant will fund planning and design.

Hilltown Community Development Corp. - \$60,000
The Hilltown Community Development Corp. in Chesterfield is planning a project to modify the existing water treatment system to include a manganese removal system, nitrate removal system and a sediment filter, including brine tanks for treatment and a new drain line and tight tank for water treatment waste.

New Testament Church of Cedarville, Inc. - \$4,665
The New Testament Church in Plymouth plans to use this grant for reimbursement of costs associated with the disinfection of an installed PFAS system, the permitting and preparation of materials, an update of the Emergency Response Plan, and the installation of an additional tap for testing the water after it passes through the PFAS Removal System.

The Greens - \$100,000
The Greens housing complex is planning an interconnection to the Tyngsborough Water District, which will address PFAS contamination of The Greens drinking water sources.

Lanesborough Fire and Water District - \$1,000,000
The Lanesborough Fire and Water District will develop another groundwater supply well off Bull Hill Road in Lanesborough.

Swift River School -

\$71,138

The Swift River School in New Salem will utilize the grant to design, permit, and install a PFAS treatment system using anion exchange resin that will be added to the existing drinking water treatment system.

River Crossing Condominiums - \$73,837

The public water supplier will install a PFAS treatment system at its Tyngsborough location to address PFAS exceedances dating back to 2021.

West Springfield DPW Water Division - \$198,603

This project involves conducting a 150-day pilot study to evaluate granular activated carbon treatment at the existing Southwick Wellfield Water Treatment Facility.

Egremont Town Hall - \$38,000

The town plans to install a filtration and treatment unit at the Egremont Town Hall water supply point of entry.

Taunton Water Division - \$50,000

The City of Taunton plans to connect a public water supply impacted by manganese, The Royal Penny, to the municipal water system.

Freetown-Lakeville Regional School District - \$50,000

The school district plans on using the grant to remove and replace the existing water filtration system with two new green sand water filters and a booster pump system to remove manganese from the drinking water at its facility in Lakeville.

Our Lady of Grace Church - \$150,000

The public water supplier's project will include

the evaluation of a PFAS treatment pilot program, design of the treatment system, preparation of necessary permit applications, and installation of the approved treatment system at its Sunderland location.

Pine Tree Village - \$1,335,000

The public water supplier will use the grant funds to design and construct a new water treatment plant to remove manganese and PFAS from the source water.

"I'm thrilled that the Massachusetts Department of Environmental Protection, in partnership with the US Environmental Protection Agency, is working with local communities in my district to make their drinking water safer," said State Senator Michael J. Rodrigues (D-Westport), Chair of the Senate Committee on Ways and Means. "Over \$4 million in funding will assist in eradicating contaminants and PFAS or 'forever chemicals.' People should know that their drinking water is safe, and this project will install state-of-the-art filtration and provide sediment and contaminant removal."

"I am heartened that the Swift River School in New Salem will be receiving grant funding from the Massachusetts Department of Environmental Protection through the Emerging Contaminants in Small or Disadvantaged Communities Grant Program to design, permit, and install a PFAS treatment system to ensure safe drinking water for students, faculty, and staff," said State Senator Jo Comerford (D-Northampton). "I am grateful to MassDEP and the U.S. Environmental Protection

Agency for assisting with long-term solutions to address contaminants in drinking water. While we must prevent PFAS contamination in the Commonwealth and protect our environment, this funding is necessary progress towards sustainable, clean water for my constituents."

"I am proud that Westport will be receiving this money to extend water service along Route 6 and provide a reliable connection for years to come," said State Representative Paul Schmid (D-Westport). "I'd like to thank MassDEP for their commitment to Westport and I hope the community will continue to have the support of our state agencies when it comes to bettering our infrastructure and providing a valuable resource for our residents."

Visit the Emerging Contaminants in Small or Disadvantaged Communities Grant page for more information about the grant program. To learn more about the communities that have received these grants, visit MassDEP's EC-SDC Grants Map.

MassDEP's mission is to protect and enhance the Commonwealth's natural resources — air, water and land — to provide for the health, safety and welfare of all people, and to ensure a clean and safe environment for future generations. In carrying out this mission, Mass DEP commits to address and advance environmental justice and equity for all people of the Commonwealth; to provide meaningful, inclusive opportunities for people to participate in agency decisions that affect their lives; and to ensure a diverse workforce that reflects the communities we serve.

Book Stew Review

'I've Tried Being Nice:' Essays by Ann Leary

By EILEEN MACDOUGALL

I date myself here, but this is like reading Erma Bombeck or Nora Ephron, only with curse words.

Ann Leary, novelist and memoirist, is married to Dennis Leary, actor and comedian. Through the essays in this book, the reader learns a lot about both Learys and especially about their marriage, dogs, homes, ballroom dancing success, kids,

and tennis games.

It's all serious fun and remarkably revealing. The main premise is that Leary is taking herself to task for overestimating her ability to be a good person and then citing funny and poignant examples of people she wants to emulate, even though she fails most of the time.

It's a truly amusing audiobook and the author is completely comfortable ratting herself out.

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OBITUARIES

Larry Foster Coached Little League in the 1970s

Larry Foster, formerly of Wilmington, more recently of The Villages, FL, passed away peacefully at his home, with his loving wife of 68 years and sons at his side.

He bravely fought cancer for 22 years. He was 88 years old at the time of his death.

He is survived by his wife, Joan and their three sons, Larry and his wife, Suzie of Tallahassee, FL, Barry and his wife, Karen, of The Villages, FL, and Randy and his wife, Teresa, of St. Petersburg, FL.

Additionally, he had six grandchildren and nine great grandchildren.

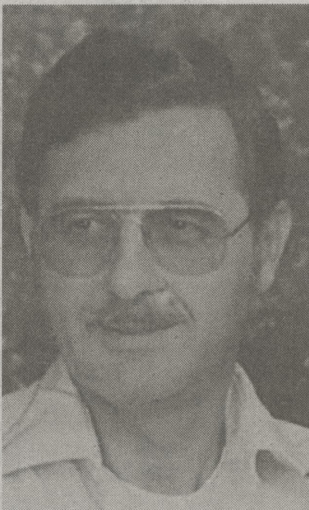
He may be remembered by the people of Wilming-

ton as one who happily gave his time coaching Little League when his three boys were involved during the 1970's. He and Larry Knowles had the honor to take their team to the state's finals.

Larry loved sports, and after his boys were grown he was always involved in golf, tennis, biking and bowling. Later, he and his wife, Joan, were active in distance running while living in Sarasota, FL.

Larry ran 30 marathons or longer all around the country, the first being in Montreal, Canada. One of his proudest personal achievements was completing the JFK 50 miler in Maryland with Joan.

After moving to The Vil-



lages, Florida, he enjoyed softball, tennis, biking, and pickleball. He lived and enjoyed a full life and is missed by all who knew him, especially his family.

Gertrude Louise White Loved going to karaoke

Gertrude Louise White, age 94, a lifelong resident of Wilmington peacefully passed away on Wednesday, July 24, 2024, surrounded by family.

Gertie was a loving, caring, strong, independent woman, who lived on her own until 2016 but came to live with family due to her health. She showed us her fun, loving side at many family gatherings and we all looked forward to seeing her.

She loved going to karaoke, which she went often with her niece in the past few years and made new friends along the way. She loved to be sociable and always wanted to venture out when she could.

Her love of life, family, food, fun and her faith, had kept her strong, even when faced with many challenges in her last few years, and her motto was "it's better to laugh than to cry" and Gertie showed us she meant what she said as she was always laughing.

Gertie was on the national honors list and was also named class clown during her school years. Being around her, we can see why, as she was smart as a whip and funny to boot.

She was always the star of the family gatherings as everyone loved her antics.

Gertie has deep roots in Wilmington, as her mother's family name, Surrette is linked to the Hiller fam-

ily and Butter's family. We loved hearing her stories from her childhood, and all she endured to make her the great woman that she became.

She loved being surrounded by her family and friends, and was so full of energy and life, you couldn't help but gravitate towards her whenever you were around her.

Gertie was an avid animal lover and always talked about her cats Elmo and Muffin, and loved seeing family pets as well, which always made her smile.

Gertie was predeceased by her parents, James and Mary White (Surrette) as well as by her siblings Mary (Chicks) Johnson, Margaret Cunningham, and James (Brother) H White Jr.

She is survived by her niece, Barbara LaFave (Johnson), great nieces and spouses, Lori and Francisco Leon, Cindy and Chris Larsen, Barbie and Billy McHugh, and Cheryl Joyce, and her great nephews and wives, Andy and Mary LaFave, Stephen La Fave, and Jimmy and Sheryl LaFave.

She was a loving great aunt to Frank Leon, Melina Leon, Jackie Joyce, Ashleigh Joyce, Kenny Joyce, Candace Larsen, Chris Peter Larsen, Nick Larsen as well as many more nieces and nephews and it went up to great



great greats.

Gertie will be forever in our hearts and in her own words "Never Forget Me," and she will never be forgotten. Our memories are full of her antics and stories to pass on and to tell.

Family and friends gathered at the Nichols Funeral Home, 187 Middlesex Avenue, (Rt. 62) Wilmington on Wednesday, July 31 for visitation from 9 - 11:30 a.m., immediately followed by 11:30 service and then Interment will take place at Wildwood Cemetery, Wilmington.

In lieu of flowers, donations can be made through www.LovellHumaneSociety.org for both monetary and for their Amazon wish list for pet supplies.

For directions or to send an online condolence, please refer to www.nicholsfuneralhome.com

Margaret M. 'Margie' (Whalen) Sullivan Former certified nursing assistant

Margaret M. "Margie" (Whalen) Sullivan, age 91, a resident of Tewksbury for nearly 70 years, passed away peacefully at Lowell General Hospital on Monday, July 22, 2024.

She was the beloved wife of James D. Sullivan, with whom she had celebrated their 66th wedding anniversary before he passed away on June 24, 2021.

Born in Newton on Sept. 17, 1932, she was the daughter of the late Francis Whalen and the late Emma (Hebert) Whalen. Margie was raised in Newton and attended St. Bernard's High in West Newton.

Margie was the former executive secretary and certified nursing assistant for Lawrence M. McCartin, MD of Tewksbury for 42 years, for which she took great pride.

Margie enjoyed bowling, playing bingo, traveling and for many years visiting Palm Beach, Florida. She treasured her family,

as well as the numerous friendships she developed while living in the same neighborhood for the past 69 years.

Margie is survived by her children, Thomas J. Sullivan and his wife Angela, of New Boston, NH, Brian J. Sullivan and his wife Judy, of Rye, NH, Patricia M. Miron and her husband Richard Miron, MD, and Susan J. Gustafson and her husband Eric, all of Dracut; her six grandchildren, Ryan, Grady, and Brianna Sullivan, Andrew Gustafson, Elizabeth Mihalow, and Nik Steinbrueck; her great grandchildren, Isabella Gustafson, Chase, Kayden, Jules and A.J. Steinbrueck, Josie and Reagan Mihalow; her sister, Barbara Topham; and her brother, Francis Whalen and his wife, Lorraine Whalen, who was like a sister to her.

She leaves many nieces, nephews and extended fa-



mily members.

A private memorial service was held at the Farmer & Dee Funeral Home in Tewksbury. Interment of her ashes followed at Tewksbury Cemetery. Donations honoring her memory may be made to Shriners Hospital for Children, 51 Blossom Street, Boston, MA 02114

Rep. Nguyen's 'red flag' bill part of landmark gun reform package signed into law

BOSTON — Thursday, Massachusetts Governor Maura Healey signed a firearm safety reform bill that cracks down on the sale of ghost guns, strengthens the Commonwealth's red flag laws, updates the definition of assault-style firearms, and limits the carrying of guns into polling places and government buildings while updating current prohibition of guns in schools to include school transport.

The bill was passed by the Massachusetts Legislature and is the state's most significant gun safety legislation in a decade. A key provision of the bill originates from Harassment Prevention Order (HPO) legislation co-filed by State Representative Tram T. Nguyen (D-Andover) to protect harassment, stalking, and sexual assault survivors.

An Extreme Risk Protection Order (ERPO), also known as a red flag law, is an order from a judge that suspends a person's license to possess or carry a gun. The bill expands the list of who may petition a court for an ERPO against a person who poses a risk of causing bodily injury to themselves or others beyond just household members and law enforcement, to include school administrators and medical professionals.

Additionally, it updates

HPOs to be consistent with abuse prevention orders by allowing courts to order dispossession of licenses, permits, and firearms contemporaneously.

"During my time as an attorney, I saw firsthand how these laws can help de-escalate emergency situations. Extreme risk laws are a proven way to intervene before gun violence — such as a gun suicide or mass shooting — takes more lives," Rep. Nguyen said.

Following the 2022 U.S. Supreme Court's Bruen decision, which sought to weaken states' ability to protect their residents through gun safety laws, the Massachusetts Legislature acted quickly to patch areas in the Commonwealth's framework governing the issuance of licenses to carry firearms. The bill passed Thursday is a result of a comprehensive review of the Commonwealth's gun laws, with the goal of proposing solutions to emerging threats in technology, such as the prevalence of ghost guns.

"I am very grateful to House Speaker Ron Mariano, House Ways and Means Chair Aaron Michlewitz, and Judiciary Chair Michael Day, for a thoughtful and deliberate year-long process that allowed for the public and experts to contribute to this well-informed bill," Nguyen said.

Major provisions of the bill include:

Stemming Illegal Firearm Flow. This bill provides tools for law enforcement to target illegal gun trafficking by including an enhanced tracing system to track firearms used in crimes, modernizing the existing firearm registration system, and increasing the availability of firearm data for academic and policy use. The bill also enhances requirements for reporting lost, stolen, and surrendered firearms.

Protecting Communities from Gun Violence. The legislation criminalizes discharging firearms at or near dwellings. It also prohibits the carrying of firearms on school buses, polling places, and government buildings with an exemption for law enforcement.

Additionally, the bill standardizes training requirements for individuals seeking a license to carry and will now require live firearm training. It creates a special legislative commission to study and make recommendations to improve the Commonwealth's funding structure for violence prevention services and begins the process of directing the Massachusetts Secretary of Health and Human Services to seek federal reimbursement for violence prevention programs.

Money for Tewksbury included in FY25 budget

BOSTON — State Senator Barry Finegold, State Representatives Tram Nguyen, Dave Robertson, and Vanna Howard are pleased to announce that the Fiscal Year 2025 budget has been signed by Governor Maura Healey. The \$58 billion budget maintains fiscal responsibility while making critical investments in schools, health care, and transportation, with \$600,000 in funding being allocated directly to community projects in Tewksbury.

Secured by Sen. Finegold, Rep. Nguyen, Rep. Robertson, and Rep. Howard, this budget funds projects in Tewksbury including:

\$50,000 — Restoration and improvement to the Tewksbury youth baseball fields

\$50,000 — Drainage improvements in Tewksbury

\$500,000 — Tewksbury Police & Fire for responses to the State Hospital

This budget also allows Tewksbury Hospital to maintain the same number of beds in fiscal year 2025 as was maintained in fiscal year 2024

"The FY25 budget is reflective of our state's good values of balancing the financial accountability with thoughtful investment," said Sen. Finegold (D-Andover). "This budget bolsters Massachusetts' resilience by funding initiatives from education to natural disaster relief to communi-

ty projects. I am grateful for the unwavering partnership from the Tewksbury state delegation, who remain committed to securing resources for our community."

The FY25 budget makes historic investments in our students, including free community college for all residents, an increase in minimum Chapter 70 aid from \$30 to \$104, and permanently establishing the COVID-era Commonwealth Cares for Children (C3) grant program.

"The \$58 Billion FY25 Budget delivers meaningful investments in areas of high-quality education, equitable health care, food security, housing stability, local aid and workforce development, and affordable and reliable public transportation, to better support Massachusetts students and families," said Rep. Howard (D-Lowell). "I want to thank Speaker Ronald Mariano, House Ways & Means Chairman Aaron Michlewitz, Senate President Karen Spilka and Senate Ways & Means Chairman Michael Rodrigues, and my colleagues in the House, along with Senate colleagues, for their steadfast commitment and critical input throughout this process, a collective effort that has helped to produce a strong and responsible

FY25 budget."

This budget prioritizes healthcare by making record investments in MassHealth, in services for people with intellectual and developmental disabilities, and in nursing facility Medicaid rates. This budget also provides historic funding for Regional Transit Authorities across the state to establish fare-free services.

"This budget responds to the needs of our residents and working families, with a focus on bolstering funding for vital programs and making our economy more competitive, equitable, and resilient," said Rep. Nguyen (D-Andover). "This was a team effort — with funding for drainage improvements and the restoration of our youth baseball fields, we are investing in both infrastructure and recreational opportunities for our residents."

"These earmarks represent an investment in both our youth, fixing dated infrastructure, and allows our first responders to stay fully staffed with updated equipment," said Rep. Robertson. "I would like to particularly thank our Town Manager Richard Montuori, as well as the board of Tewksbury Youth Baseball for being partners with my office and the rest of the delegation throughout the budget process."

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LEGAL NOTICE

TOWN OF TEWKSBURY
CONSERVATION COMMISSION

PUBLIC HEARING

Request for Determination
of Applicability (RDA)

Notice is hereby given that the Tewksbury Conservation Commission will hold a public hearing on August 14, 2024, at 6:30 P.M., located at Tewksbury Town Hall, 1009 Main Street, for a RDA application filed by Eric Murray for removal of a pile of stone and rubble located partially on the property, the area will be treated with loam and seed within 100' of a wetland.

The property subject to this application is located at 15 PONDROSA RD TEWKSBURY, MA, ASSESSOR'S MAP 94-373.

The application may be examined on the Conservation Commission webpage of the Town of Tewksbury's website at www.tewksbury-ma.gov. Should other accommodations be necessary to view the application, please call the Community Development Office at 978-640-4370. Legal Notice can also be viewed on www.masspublicnotices.org

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Daniel Ronan
Chair
8/1/24

240755

LEGAL NOTICE

TOWN OF WILMINGTON
MASSACHUSETTS

INVITATION FOR BIDS

Italy Trip

The Town of Wilmington will be accepting bids to conduct a group trip to Italy. Sealed bids, marked "Bid for Italy Trip" on the envelope, will be received at the Office of the Town Manager, Town Hall, 121 Glen Road, Wilmington, MA 01887 until, Monday, August 19, 2024, at 10 AM.

Specifications may be obtained at the Town of Wilmington Purchasing Department website: <https://www.wilmingtonma.gov/purchasing-department>. Proposals may not be submitted via email.

The Town of Wilmington reserves the right to reject the bid or any part thereof deemed not to be in the interest of the Town of Wilmington. The Town shall not be responsible for bids arriving late due to couriers, deliveries to wrong locations, express mailing services, delays related to the processing of mail requests, or any other reason. Postmarks will not be considered.

For further questions concerning this Request for Proposals must be submitted in writing and emailed to BSawin@WilmingtonMA.Gov.

R. Eric Slagle
Town Manager
8/1/24

240769

LEGAL NOTICE

COMMONWEALTH OF
MASSACHUSETTS
THE TRIAL COURT
PROBATE AND
FAMILY COURT

Middlesex Probate
and Family Court
10-U Commerce Way
Woburn, MA 01801
(781) 865-4000

CITATION ON PETITION
TO CHANGE NAME

Docket No. MI24C0716CA

In the matter of:
Anthony Joseph Prezioso

A Petition to Change Name of Adult has been filed by Anthony Joseph Prezioso of Wilmington MA requesting that the court enter a formal Decree changing their name to:

Anthony Urbanek

IMPORTANT NOTICE

Any person may appear for purposes of objecting to the petition by filing an appearance at: Middlesex Probate and Family Court before 10:00 a.m. on the return day of 09/02/2024.

This is NOT a hearing date, but a deadline by which you must file a written appearance if you object to this proceeding.

WITNESS, Hon. Terri L. Klug Cafazzo, First Justice of this Court.
Date: July 22, 2024

Tara E. DeCristofaro,
Register of Probate

240751

8/1/24

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LEGAL NOTICE

TOWN OF TEWKSBURY
PLANNING BOARD

PUBLIC HEARING

FAMILY SUITE
SPECIAL PERMIT

Notice is hereby given that the Tewksbury Planning Board will hold a public hearing on hold a public hearing on August 19, 2024 at 7:00 PM in the Tewksbury Town Hall, 1009 Main Street, Tewksbury, MA 01876 on an application filed by Amy Tammara on behalf of Annette Duffy for a Family Suite Special Permit pursuant to Section 7.1 of the Tewksbury Zoning Bylaw to construct an addition to the single family dwelling for a family suite as shown on plans filed with this Board.

Said property is located at 134 Salem Road, Assessor's Map 95, Lot 111, zoned Residential.

The application may be examined on the Planning Board webpage of the Town of Tewksbury's website at www.tewksbury-ma.gov. Should other accommodations be necessary to view the application, please call the Community Development Office at 978-640-4370. Legal Notice can also be viewed on www.masspublicnotices.org

Stephen Johnson, Chairman
240742 8/1,8/24

LEGAL NOTICE

TOWN OF WILMINGTON
CONSERVATION COMMISSION

PUBLIC MEETING

Notice is hereby given that a Public Meeting will be held in the Town Hall Auditorium, 121 Glen Road, Wilmington, MA 01887, on Wednesday, August 7, 2024, at 7:05 p.m., in compliance with provisions of MGL Chapter 131, Section 40, and 310 CMR 10.00 on a Request for Determination of Applicability, filed by Anthony Donaldson, 75 Marion Street, Wilmington, MA 01887, owner & applicant. This filing is for after-the-fact approval of the replacement and expansion of an existing deck. The work is within the 100-foot Buffer Zone to Bordering Vegetated Wetlands as designated by the MA Wetlands Protection Act, MGL Chapter 131, Sect. 40 and 310 CMR 10.00. This property is located at 75 Marion Street, Wilmington, MA 01887 and shown on Assessor's Map 5 Parcel 2K. A copy of the application is on file at the Department of Planning & Conservation, Room 6, Wilmington Town Hall, and may be inspected between the hours of 8:30 a.m. and 4:30 p.m., Monday through Friday.

Jean Marie Cole, Chair
Conservation Commission
240786 8/1/24

LEGAL NOTICE

TOWN OF WILMINGTON
CONSERVATION COMMISSION

PUBLIC HEARING

Notice is hereby given that a Public Hearing will be held in the Town Hall Auditorium, 121 Glen Road, Wilmington, MA 01887, on Wednesday, August 7, 2024, at 7:10 p.m. in compliance with the provisions of MGL Chapter 131, Section 40, and 310 CMR 10.00 on a Notice of Intent filed by Chad LaCrosse, Exteriors Unlimited, 42 Palisade Drive, Nashua, NH 03062, applicant, and Jonathan & Jen Contrada, 6 Canal Street, Wilmington, MA 01887, owners. This filing is for the installation of an above ground pool and deck. This work is within the 100-foot Buffer Zone to Bordering Vegetated Wetlands and Bordering Land Subject to Flooding as designated by the MA Wetlands Protection Act, M.G.L. Chapter 131, Sect. 40 and 310 CMR 10.00. The property is located at 6 Canal Street, Wilmington, MA 01887, and shown on Assessor's Map 31 Parcel 7. A copy of the application is on file at the Department of Planning and Conservation, Room 6, Wilmington Town Hall, and may be inspected between the hours of 8:30 a.m. and 4:30 p.m. Monday through Friday.

Jean Marie Cole, Chair
Conservation Commission
240787 8/1/24

LEGAL NOTICE

TOWN OF TEWKSBURY
CONSERVATION COMMISSION

PUBLIC HEARING

Request for Determination
of Applicability (RDA)

Notice is hereby given that the Tewksbury Conservation Commission will hold a public hearing on August 14, 2024, at 6:30 P.M., located at Tewksbury Town Hall, 1009 Main Street, for a RDA application filed by Constantine Malek for build a 12' x 16' shed in the backyard within 100' of a bordering vegetative wetland.

The property subject to this application is located at 34 FRENCH ST TEWKSBURY, MA, ASSESSOR'S MAP 9-86.

The application may be examined on the Conservation Commission webpage of the Town of Tewksbury's website at www.tewksbury-ma.gov. Should other accommodations be necessary to view the application, please call the Community Development Office at 978-640-4370. Legal Notice can also be viewed on www.masspublicnotices.org

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Daniel Ronan
Chair
8/1/24

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LEGAL NOTICE

TOWN OF WILMINGTON
CONSERVATION COMMISSION

PUBLIC MEETING

Notice is hereby given that a Public Meeting will be held in the Town Hall Auditorium, 121 Glen Road, Wilmington, MA 01887, on Wednesday, August 7, 2024, at 7:00 p.m., in compliance with provisions of MGL Chapter 131, Section 40, and 310 CMR 10.00 on a Request for Determination of Applicability, filed by Reading Municipal Light Department, 230 Ash Street, Reading, MA 01867, applicant, & Town of Wilmington, 121 Glen Road, Wilmington, MA 01887, owner. This filing is for the removal of the existing transformer, transformer pad, and any contaminated soil. The work is within the 100-foot Buffer Zone to Bordering Vegetated Wetlands as designated by the MA Wetlands Protection Act, MGL Chapter 131, Sect. 40 and 310 CMR 10.00. This property is located at 9-11 Sewell Road, Wilmington, MA 01887 and shown on Assessor's Map 93 Parcel 15. A copy of the application is on file at the Department of Planning & Conservation, Room 6, Wilmington Town Hall, and may be inspected between the hours of 8:30 a.m. and 4:30 p.m., Monday through Friday.

Jean Marie Cole, Chair
Conservation Commission
240785 8/1/24

LEGAL NOTICE

TOWN OF WILMINGTON
CONSERVATION COMMISSION

PUBLIC HEARING

Notice is hereby given that a Public Hearing will be held in the Town Hall Auditorium, 121 Glen Road, Wilmington, MA 01887, on Wednesday, August 7, 2024, at 7:15 p.m. in compliance with the provisions of MGL Chapter 131, Section 40, and 310 CMR 10.00 on a Notice of Intent filed by Lucci Realty Trust, 226 Lowell Street, Wilmington, MA 01887, applicant & owner. This filing is for site improvements to add landscaping areas and upgrades to the stormwater systems. This work is within the 100-foot Buffer Zone to Bordering Vegetated Wetlands as designated by the MA Wetlands Protection Act, M.G.L. Chapter 131, Sect. 40 and 310 CMR 10.00. The property is located at 226 Lowell Street, Wilmington, MA 01887, and shown on Assessor's Map 58 Parcel 2. A copy of the application is on file at the Department of Planning and Conservation, Room 6, Wilmington Town Hall, and may be inspected between the hours of 8:30 a.m. and 4:30 p.m. Monday through Friday.

Jean Marie Cole, Chair
Conservation Commission
240788 8/1/24

LEGAL NOTICE

TOWN OF TEWKSBURY
PLANNING BOARD

PUBLIC HEARING

USE SPECIAL PERMIT

Notice is hereby given that the Tewksbury Planning Board will hold a public hearing on August 19, 2024 at 7:10 PM in the Tewksbury Town Hall, 1009 Main Street, Tewksbury, MA 01876 on an application filed by Giuliano Cedrone on behalf of Stephen Leclair for a Use Special Permit pursuant to Section 3.5 of the Tewksbury Zoning Bylaw to operate a contractor's yard for the storage, rental, and repair of commercial equipment shown on plans filed with this Board.

Said property is located at 820 Livingston Street (Unit 13), Assessor's Map 74, Lot 14, Unit 13 zoned Industrial I.

The application may be examined on the Planning Board webpage of the Town of Tewksbury's website at www.tewksbury-ma.gov. Should other accommodations be necessary to view the application, please call the Community Development Office at 978-640-4370. Legal Notice can also be viewed on www.masspublicnotices.org

Stephen Johnson, Chairman
240771 8/1,8/24

LEGAL NOTICE

TOWN OF WILMINGTON
SELECT BOARD

PUBLIC HEARING

A Public Hearing has been scheduled before the Select Board in Room 9 of the Town Hall on Monday, August 19, 2024 at 7:00 p.m. on the application of Covestro LLC to increase the storage of flammable and combustible materials, such material to be stored at the facility at 730 Main Street, Wilmington, (Map 39, Parcel 8A). A plan is made part of this application and may be viewed at the Town Manager's office, 121 Glen Road, Wilmington, MA.

Gregory B. Bendel, Chair
Select Board
240770 8/1/24

LEGAL NOTICE

TOWN OF WILMINGTON
CONSERVATION COMMISSION

PUBLIC HEARING

Notice is hereby given that a Public Hearing will be held in the Town Hall Auditorium, 121 Glen Road, Wilmington, MA 01887, on Wednesday, August 7, 2024, at 7:30 p.m. in compliance with the provisions of MGL Chapter 131, Section 40, and 310 CMR 10.00 on a Notice of Intent filed by Craig Newhouse, C.S. Newhouse Builders, Inc., 5 Emma Way, Wilmington, MA 01887, applicant. Owners are as follows: Craig S. Newhouse, Eagleview Realty Trust, 5 Emma Way, Michael D. Labrecque and April A. (Carlino) Labrecque, 71 Marion Street, and Ernest R. Merrill Jr., Trustee, JM Merrill Realty Trust, 73 Marion Street, all of Wilmington, MA 01887. This filing is to cut and clear vegetation for limited project roadway crossings, retaining walls, sidewalks, resource area alterations, drainage, grading and associated utilities for the Eagleview Sub-division. The work is within Bordering Vegetated Wetlands, Bank, Land Under Waterbodies and Waterways, Bordering Land Subject to Flooding, and the 100' Buffer Zone to Bordering Vegetated Wetlands and Bank as designated by the MA Wetlands Protection Act, M.G.L. Chapter 131, Sect. 40 and 310 CMR 10.00. This property is located off Marion Street, Wilmington, MA 01887 and shown on the Assessor's Map 5 Parcels 2J, 3, 3A, 3C, 3D and 3E. A copy of the application is on file at the Department of Planning and Conservation, Room 6, Wilmington Town Hall, and may be inspected between the hours of 8:30 a.m. and 4:30 p.m. Monday through Friday.

Jean Marie Cole, Chair
Conservation Commission
240789 8/1/24

Robarge, Whinery
graduate from
Western New England

SPRINGFIELD — Christian Lawrence Robarge graduated from Western New England University with a BS in Construction Management.

Shannon Marie Whinery graduated Cum Laude from Western New England University with a BSBA in Marketing.

The undergraduate ceremony was held on Sunday, May 19, at the Mass Mutual Center in downtown Springfield. More than 520 students received their degrees. The top fields of study were Mechanical Engineering, Marketing, Psychology, Criminal Justice, and Sports Management.

In his remarks, President Robert E. Johnson pushed students to embrace every challenge as an opportunity for growth: "As you navigate the uncertainties and opportunities that lie ahead, remember that you possess the influence to inspire, innovate, and transform our global society."

Nina Sullivan, who will graduate with a degree in Forensic Chemistry, was selected to deliver the student address. "For me, every day at Western New England University since the first semester of freshman year contained an 'I can't wait' moment. Everything was so new, and I couldn't wait to do it all," added Sullivan as she addressed her fellow graduates. "After every accomplishment, each 'I can't wait' moment became an 'I did it' moment; each experience became a memory that I can look back on forever."

The Western New England University graduat-

ing class of 2024 hailed from 21 states: California, Colorado, Connecticut, Florida, Georgia, Illinois, Kentucky, Massachusetts, Maine, Michigan, New Hampshire, New Jersey, Nevada, New York, Ohio, Pennsylvania, Rhode Island, South Carolina, Texas, Vermont, and Virginia. Graduates also came from Canada, India, Malaysia, and Pakistan.

Western New England University (WNE) is a private, nationally ranked, comprehensive institution with a focus on preparing work-ready and world-ready graduates. Founded in 1919 in Springfield, Massachusetts as a division of Northeastern College, WNE's 215-acre suburban campus serves more than 3,700 students, including over 2,500 full-time undergraduates.

More than 47,000 alumni have earned degrees through its 90+ undergraduate, graduate, and professional programs at Colleges of Arts and Sciences, Business, Engineering, and Pharmacy and Health Sciences, and School of Law. Students come from 39 U.S. states and territories and 23 countries. Of 45,104 living alumni, 30% remain within the region, residing in the four Western Massachusetts counties and northern Connecticut.

WNE is classified among nationally ranked universities in US News and World Report, and among the Top 100 Undergraduate Engineering programs, and in the Doctoral/Professional Universities category in the Carnegie Classification of Institutions of Higher Education.

LEGAL NOTICE

COMMONWEALTH OF
MASSACHUSETTS
THE TRIAL COURT
PROBATE AND
FAMILY COURT

Suffolk Probate
and Family Court
24 New Chardon Street
Boston MA, 02114

CITATION GIVING NOTICE
OF PETITION FOR REMOVAL
OF A GUARDIAN OF AN
INCAPACITATED PERSON

Docket No. SU17P2629GD

In the Interests of:
Jennifer Chang
Of: Boston, MA
RESPONDENT
Incapacitated Person/
Protected Person

To the named Respondent and all other interested persons, a petition has been filed by Department of Mental Health of Westborough, MA in the above captioned matter requesting that the court: Remove the Guardian of the Respondent

The petition asks the court to make a determination that the Guardian and/or Conservator should be allowed to resign; or should be removed for good cause; or that the Guardianship and/or Conservatorship is no longer necessary and therefore should be terminated. The original petition is on file with the court.

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Wilmington's Curdo performs with Reagle Music Theater of Greater Boston

Audrey Curdo spent her summer with Reagle Music Theater of Greater Boston. A graduate of Wilmington High School, she is a rising junior at Boston Conservatory at Berklee pursuing a BFA in musical theater. Audrey just concluded her July performances in *All Shook Up* and will also appear in Reagle Music Theater's upcoming production *An American In Paris*, on stage Aug. 9-18. More information can be found at reaglemusictheater.org.



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Money for Wilmington in FY25 budget

BOSTON — State Senator Barry Finegold and State Representative Dave Robertson are pleased to announce that the Fiscal Year 2025 budget has been signed by Governor Maura Healey. The \$58 billion budget maintains fiscal responsibility while making critical investments in schools, healthcare, and transportation, with \$105,000 in funding being allocated directly to community projects in Wilmington.

Secured by Sen. Finegold and Rep. Robertson, this budget funds projects in Wilmington including:

\$50,000 - Wilmington Police Search & Rescue Drone

\$25,000 - Wilmington National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System Storm Water Compliance Assistance

\$30,000 - Repairs to the Wilmington Town Museum roof

"The FY25 budget is reflective of our state's good values of balancing

financial accountability with thoughtful investment," said Sen. Finegold (D-Andover). "This budget bolsters Massachusetts' resilience by funding initiatives from education to natural disaster relief to community projects. I am grateful for the unwavering partnership from Rep. Robertson and local officials who remain committed to securing resources for our community."

The FY25 budget makes historic investments in our students, including free community college for all residents, an increase in minimum Chapter 70 aid from \$30 to \$104, and permanently establishing the COVID-era Commonwealth Cares for Children (C3) grant program.

"This budget, like previous, contains critical support that ensures the financial well being of our municipalities — including our local earmarks," said Rep. Robertson (D-Wilmington).

"In addition to increased state aid around education and transportation, the earmarks will provide our first responders with upgraded rescue observation equipment, assist the town with fixing dated vital infrastructure, and will help preserve and improve our local museum. I know the community will make full use of these earmarks, and thank both town managers, chiefs Cavanaugh and Desmond, and the Wilmington Historical Commission for working with myself and Sen. Finegold to help secure these funds."

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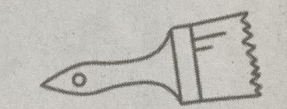
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Above, IFWV Chairman Paul Cardello presents Wilmington Veterans Services Director Lou Cimaglia with an award for service to veterans.

Top right and right, IFWV Chairman Paul Cardello and the veterans who won various giveaways including a Toshiba TV and earbuds.

Bottom right, Wilmington Veterans Services Director Lou Cimaglia and Ray Metcalf.

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Veterans receive several donations including TVs, headphones, hats, shirts

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for the Elks. He spoke to the Elks' generous efforts toward veterans including a grant program where they buy shoes for veterans at the VA hospital. All the donations for the event were given away free to the veterans present, in addition to a 50-inch Toshiba TV, headphones, Bluetooth speakers, a soundbar system, Google and Alexa electronic devices, IFWV t-shirts, military and baseball hats, and bracelets made by seniors at the senior center. The additional giveaway items were bought from Best Buy, Amazon, Wal-

mart, or Target using money from private donations. The total cost for everything given away was \$2,500. IFWV presented Wilmington Veterans Services Director Lou Cimaglia with a veterans' service achievement award and a plaque for his effort in service to veterans of Wilmington and the surrounding areas during the event. Metcalf also shared that he bought Cimaglia a "joke" gift: a Hess truck with a 100,000-mile warranty in roadside assistance. Metcalfe said that Cimaglia is a terrific guy who has done a lot to benefit Wilmington's veterans. Cardello said that this

has been one of their biggest events of the year and that it was a great success. Metcalf added they had a great day blessed by good weather. While historically IFWV made more national efforts, they have been serving more local veterans over the past few years. The nonprofit organization currently has 30 volunteers who assist in maintaining their programs in support of veterans. Cardello mentioned that this is their 13th year in operation. He also looked forward to future events coming up in September along with a fundraiser taking place in Wen-

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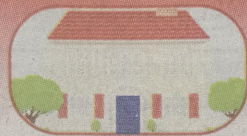
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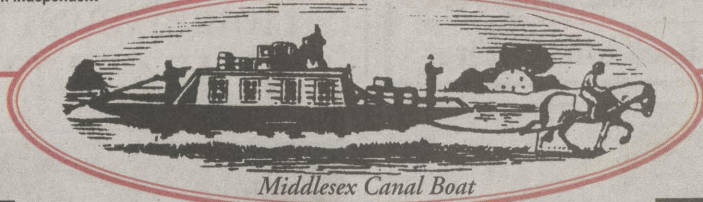
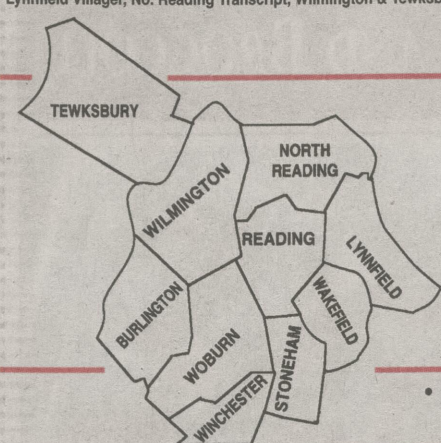
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Burlington debates appointing or electing next town clerk

By RYAN LAROCHE



BURLINGTON TOWN CLERK AMY WARFIELD - Warfield announced to spring Town Meeting her intention to retire next year, then suggested working with town administration and the Select Board on a proposal to make the position an appointed one rather than an elected one. (Courtesy Photo)

The times they might be a changin' in Burlington. For 200 years, town clerks in Burlington were elected, in much the same way the town would elect someone to serve on the School Committee or Planning Board. But with the upcoming retirement of current Town Clerk Amy Warfield in 2025, the town has the opportunity to turn the position into an appointed one.

(In Burlington, the town clerk serves a five-year term. In other communities where the position is elected, it can be a three-year term.)

Although more overall communities in Massachusetts elect their town clerk (only 117 are currently appointed, according to the Town of Brookline who recently also debated switching from electing a town clerk to appointing one), many Middlesex East readership communities actually appoint the position including in Woburn, Winchester, Reading, and Wilmington.

Warfield announced to spring Town Meeting her intention to retire next year, then suggested working with town administration and the Select Board on a proposal to make the position an appointed one rather than an elected one. If Town Meeting approves it, the question would go before voters next spring.

On leaving, Warfield said, "It is time for me to go on and spend some time with my family. It has been a pleasure working with all of you."

There are many reasons why Burlington could benefit from appointing a town clerk as opposed to electing one. Warfield noted the responsibilities of a town clerk have changed since COVID-19, including the fluidity and complexities in election laws, FOIA requests, overseeing all the vital records in town for entities such as Lahey Hospital & Medical Center, among other responsibilities a town clerk has to be adhere to.

There are also many reasons why Burlington might choose to keep the position an elected one: if voters are unhappy with the job the clerk is doing, they have an opportunity to elect someone new. This is no different than voters being dissatisfied with a member of the Select Board or School Committee.

For Warfield, voters have clearly been more than satisfied with her performance. In 2021, Warfield easily won reelection over challenger Joseph Welch, with 2,330 votes to his 417.

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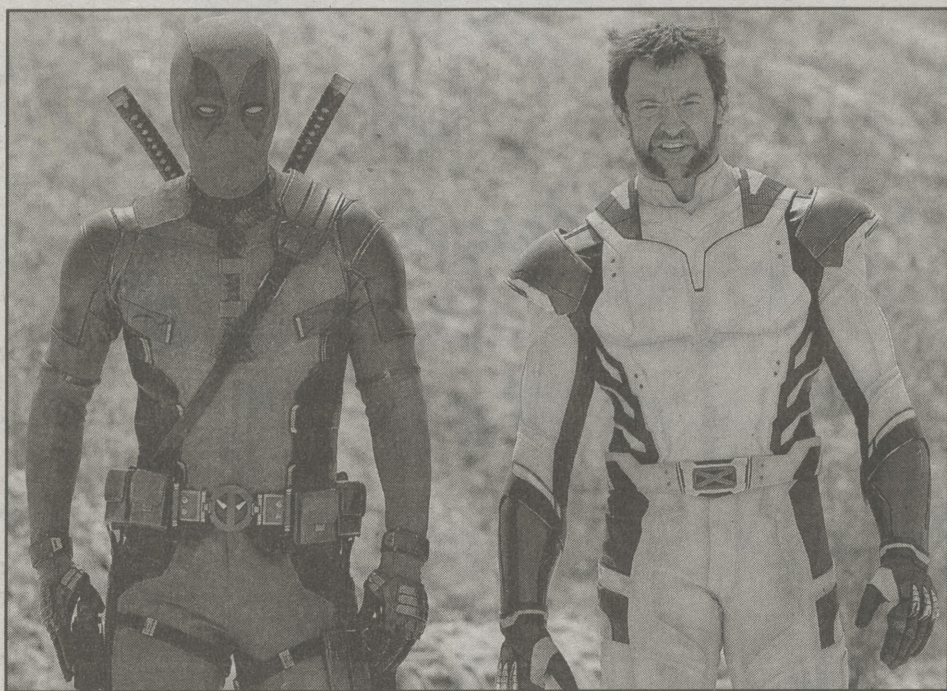
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Movie Reviews & Box Office News

'Deadpool & Wolverine' movie accepts itself for what it is



SUPER DUPER - Ryan Reynolds as Deadpool/Wade Wilson and Hugh Jackman as Wolverine/Logan in a scene from "Deadpool & Wolverine" released by 20th Century Studios/Marvel Studios.

(20th Century Studios/Marvel Studios via AP)

By KRYSTA FAURIA
Associated Press

If one thing is certain about "Deadpool," it's that its titular hero, for reasons never explained, understands his place in the world — well, in our world.

Indeed, the irreverent and raunchy mutant is sure to belabor his awareness of the context in which he lives — namely an over-saturated, increasingly labyrinthine multibillion-dollar Marvel multiverse which spans decades, studios and too many films for most viewers to count.

From its inception, the "Deadpool" franchise has prided itself a subversive, self-aware anti-superhero superhero movie, making fun of everything from comic books to Hollywood to its biggest champion, co-writer and star, Ryan Reynolds.

It's no surprise then, as fans have come to expect, that the long-anticipated "Deadpool & Wolverine" further embraces its fourth wall-breaking self-awareness — even as it looks increasingly and more earnestly like the superhero movie blueprint it loves to exploit. That tension — the fact that "Deadpool" has called out comic book movie tropes despite being, in fact, a comic book movie — is

somehow remedied in "Deadpool & Wolverine," which leans into its genre more than the franchise's first two movies.

Perhaps this gives viewers more clarity on its intended audience. After all, someone who hates superhero films — I'm looking at you, Scorsese — isn't going to be won over because of a few self-deprecating jokes about lazy writing, budgets for A-list cameos and the overused "superhero landing" Reynolds' Deadpool regularly refers to.

But this time around, director Shawn Levy — his first Marvel movie — seems to have found a sweet spot. Levy is surely helped by the fact that the third film in the franchise has a bigger budget, more hype and, of course, a brooding, eventually shirtless, Hugh Jackman as Wolverine — who has long been teased as someone Deadpool has, er, complicated feelings toward.

That anticipation makes their relationship, packed with hatred, fandom and homoeroticism, all the more enticing. Their fight scenes against each other are just as compelling as their moments of self-sacrificial partnership in the spirit of, you guessed it, saving the world(s).

Speaking of worlds, there

is one important development in our own to be aware of ahead of time. The first two "Deadpool" films were distributed by 20th Century Fox, whose \$71.3 billion acquisition by the Walt Disney Co. in 2019 opened the door for the franchise to join the Marvel Cinematic Universe.

Perhaps unsurprisingly, "Deadpool & Wolverine" takes full advantage of that vast playground, which began in 2008 with Robert Downey Jr.'s "Iron Man" and now includes more than 30 films and a host of television shows. The acquisition is also a recurring target of Deadpool's sarcasm throughout the movie.

Although steeped in references and cameos that can feel a bit like inside baseball for the less devoted, "Deadpool & Wolverine" is easy enough to follow for the casual Marvel viewer, though it wouldn't hurt to have seen the first "Deadpool" and Jackman's 2017 "Logan," a harbinger of the increasing appetite for R-rated superhero violence. The Disney+ series "Loki" also gives helpful context, though is by no means a must watch, on the Time Variance Authority, which polices multiverse timelines to avoid "incursions," or the catastrophic colliding of universes.

A defining feature of

agement.

If the position remains elected, Warfield felt Burlington could find itself in a situation where the new town clerk lacks the necessary experience, qualifications or expertise resulting in an increased risk to the town, legal and financial, during the learning period due to errors of either omission or commission. This could increase demands on town staff and elected officials.

Pros and cons

There are obviously pros and cons to both appointing and electing a clerk. If Burlington chooses to appoint its next town clerk, it means the town controls who takes over the job as opposed to voters making the decision. Some Town Meeting members back in the spring favored that approach.

"I am in support of this. I think it is important to have someone who is qualified to be a town clerk, especially in today's age," declared Town Meeting member Sally Willard.

Burlington isn't the only community debating the switch. Brookline also underwent a similar discussion, asking if it, too, should make the town clerk position an appointed one. The town's Committee on Town Organization & Structure (CTOS) was tasked with providing a recommendation to Town Meeting.

They mentioned how many in the Brookline community feel the position needs to be elected "to keep a safe, arms-length distance from the Select Board to avoid conflict of interest or untoward interference." They noted how others, though, believe the position is a "senior hands-on professional position within the town's governing and administrative structure and should be maintained as other department head positions."

Members of the town's CTOS said the clerk is not an entry level position.

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2. In large bowl, mix dressing and 1 teaspoon of the soy sauce; add broccoli, and toss to coat. Pour broccoli mixture onto pan; spread in single layer. In same bowl, mix brown sugar, salt and remaining 2 teaspoons soy sauce. Add beef to mixture; turn to coat. Add beef to pan with broccoli. Roast 10 to 14 minutes or until beef is cooked to desired doneness (145°F for medium-rare) and broccoli is

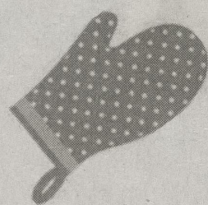
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- 2 teaspoons sesame seed
- Cooked white rice, if desired
- Green onions, sliced on the bias, if desired

"Deadpool" has been its R rating and hyper violent action scenes. Whether thanks to more money, Levy's direction or some combination of the two, these scenes are much more visually appealing.

But "Deadpool & Wolverine" does succumb to some of the deus ex machina writing that so often plagues superhero movies. Wade Wilson's (the real identity of Deadpool) relationship with his ex (?) Vanessa is particularly underdeveloped — though it's possible that ambiguity is a metaphor for Deadpool's future within the MCU.

The plot feels aimless at points toward the end. One

cameo-saturated battle scene in particular is resolved in a way that leaves its audience wanting after spending quite a bit of time building tension around it. While there are a few impressive stars who make an appearance, audiences may be disappointed by the amount of MCU characters referenced who don't make it in.

The bloody but comedic final fight scene, however, is enough to perk viewers back up for the last act, solidifying the film's identity as a fun, generally well-made summer movie.

The sole MCU release of 2024, "Deadpool & Wolverine" proves it's not neces-

sarily the source material that's causing so-called superhero fatigue. It also suggests, in light of Marvel's move to scale back production following a pandemic and historic Hollywood strikes, that increased attention given to making a movie will ultimately help the final product.

"Deadpool & Wolverine," a Walt Disney Studios Motion Pictures release, is rated R by the Motion Picture Association for strong bloody violence and language throughout, gore and sexual references.

Running time: 127 minutes. Two and a half out of four stars.

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Duties and responsibilities

Keeping the position an elected one could turn it political (although that seemingly hasn't happened in Burlington). With the myriad of challenges a town or city clerk faces, the last thing any community would want is for such a vital role in town government to become partisan.

According to mass.gov, the duties and responsibilities of the clerk include keeping vital records, serving as a municipality's chief election officer, submitting all new by-laws to the attorney general for review and approval, recording all the votes of the legislative body (at Town Meeting or during City Council meetings), certifying election results, giving the oath of office to newly elected, reelected, and appointed officials, certifying all debt notes and bonds, and (in a city) keeping all municipal contracts.

Clerks also submit all Prop 2.5 ballot question election results, certify the oath of office has been administered, submit borrowing authorization reports, submit notification of local option excise adoptions, and certify warrant articles approved by Town Meeting.

The duties of a clerk also extend to maintaining and preserving archival records and materials that pertain to general and zoning bylaws, election results, resignations and appointments, publications, Town Meeting minutes, financial statements including budget documents, licenses, and local census taking.

Warfield told Town Meeting an appointed position would result in experienced clerks who understand the fundamentals of the job, including the complexities of conducting elections and Town Meeting, requirements of FOIA, Open Meeting Law, and Conflict of Interest, and budgeting and financial man-

The Brookline community seemed torn: many felt keeping the position an elected one would keep it independent and keep the clerk accountable directly to the voters, "not the will or whim of a changing Select Board." Others, favoring an appointed position, believe it should not be political "or a popularity contest," and that the professional expertise required means there is little time to learn on the job.

Ultimately, the town made no change and this past spring voters reelected current Town Clerk Ben Kaufman for another three-year term. He ran unopposed.

Burlington may engage in their own pros vs. cons debate, as the Select Board recently authorized the creation of a subcommittee to look into the matter. It will consist of Town Meeting members, Select Board members and one poll worker.

The subcommittee will eventually provide the Select Board with a recommendation. After the Select Board takes a position, the matter will be likely be back on the ballot for September Town Meeting as the body will determine whether or not it should be put on the April 2025 town election ballot.

Sticking around

Local clerks, whether appointed or elected, tend to stick around a while. Reading Town Clerk Laura Gemme has held her position for 15 years. Winchester Town Clerk MaryEllen Lannon has held her position for about the same length of time.

Warfield, meanwhile, would probably have no problems winning another election if past results are any indication, as she won easily in 2021 and ran unopposed in 2016. She was first elected in 2011. With no real competition, it almost makes it feel like an appointed position.

Since it's not an easy job, communities tend to want to keep qualified people when

they find them. In fact, most local clerks, when they do leave, either retire or move on to something bigger. For instance, longtime Woburn City Clerk Bill Campbell left in 2021 to accept a position as the new director of the Mass. Office for Campaign and Political Finance under Secretary of State William Galvin.

He was replaced, without much debate, with former City Council President Lindsay Higgins.

In Wilmington, former Town Clerk Christine Touma-Conway left to become the chief of staff for the Mayor of Methuen. She was replaced by Assistant Town Clerk Elizabeth Lawrenson.

Back to Burlington, as the Select Board last month confirmed the six residents who will join Select Board members Joe Morandi and Sarah Cawley on the newly formed Town Clerk Committee. The board originally proposed a committee of four residents but increased it to six once they received six applications from residents they all felt were worthy of joining the committee.

The six residents are Florence Leone, Reid Cooper, Jack Kelly, Christopher Murphy, David Alper, and Elliot Chikofsky. All of the residents are either Town Meeting members or poll workers.

This means the committee now has five or six weeks to meet and determine a recommendation for the Select Board to consider. The board could then follow the recommendation or not. If the ultimate decision is to not make any changes, then there wouldn't be a need for a ballot question in the spring.

On the other hand, if the board proposes changing the position to an appointed one, and Town Meeting passes a warrant article allowing the question to go to voters, then they would have the chance to take power out of their own hands and give it to the Select Board.

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1 High Pine Ave was sold to Glad Valley LLC by Pentony, Martin J for \$665,000 on 07/08/24

LYNNFIELD

5 Alexandra Rd was sold to Hibroj, Taulant by Mitchell Ft and Keene, Susan C for \$800,000 on 07/09/24
99 Crest Rd was sold to Crawford Rt and Crawford, Ellen E by Milano, Mary J and Milano, Robert for \$902,222 on 07/10/24
8 Grant Rd was sold to Cox, Jeffrey W and Johnson, Michaela C by Caswell, David J and Caswell, Jennifer N for \$1,000,000 on 07/09/24

NORTH READING

8 Dix Rd was sold to Ibrahim, Reda M by Stringfield, Jacquelyn O and Stringfield, Daniel for \$855,000 on 07/12/24
3 Greenbriar Dr #204 was sold to Betano, Judith M by Scher, Kim A for \$355,000 on 07/09/24
11 Jill Cir was sold to Dovetree Rt and Hopeman, Elizabeth A by Iby, Cheryl A and Iby, Eric for \$1,850,000 on 07/10/24
24 Lakeside Blvd was sold to Preziosi, Anthony and Preziosi, Johanna C by Abrams, Kristin for \$695,000 on 07/10/24
26 Lakeside Blvd was sold to Preziosi, Anthony and Preziosi, Johanna C by Abrams, Kristin for \$695,000 on 07/10/24
170 Main St was sold to Dcl Realty LLC by Valente Ft and Valente, Francis for \$1,300,000 on 07/11/24
172 Main St was sold to Dcl Realty LLC by Valente Ft and Valente, Francis for \$1,300,000 on 07/11/24
280 Martins Lndg #8201 was sold to Bonitatibus, Karen and Bonitatibus, Daniel by Aufranc, Roberta J for \$750,000 on 07/10/24
280 Martins Lndg #8210 was sold to Melanson, Kathleen M by Pulte Hm Of New Eng LLC for \$561,499 on 07/11/24
432 Park St was sold to Brisbois, Todd by Lynnfield Melch Rt and Mottolo, Carolyn B for \$1,300,000 on 07/12/24

READING

9 Abigail Way #2004 was sold to Kang, Lihong by Diminico, Julie E for \$495,000

on 07/08/24

Forest St was sold to Mt Zion Road LLC by Young Mens Christian Ass for \$550,000 on 07/10/24
223 Forest St was sold to Webb, Benjamin and Burnett, Catherine by Sampson, Wayne L and Sampson, Robin M for \$680,000 on 07/11/24
19 Harvest Rd was sold to Marcus, Alanna and Gonzalez, Miguel by Huang, Liling and Chen, Ge for \$861,000 on 07/11/24
217 Lowell St was sold to Elegante Ventures LLC by Chase, David Y for \$489,000 on 07/12/24
61 Red Gate Ln was sold to Cervera, Oscar M and Anaya, Maria A by Newhall, Peter G and Newhall, Barbara B for \$1,079,000 on 07/10/24
43 Village St was sold to Nazzaro, Jacqueline A and Fisher, Paula C by Carr, Jason D and Carr, Kristin K for \$860,000 on 07/08/24
100 West St was sold to Shute, Jeffrey E and Mellor, Kathryn W by Jean D Cignetti Irt and Fratto, Thomas G for \$750,000 on 07/11/24

STONEHAM

57 Forest St was sold to Akiki-Nasr, Sally J and Nasr, Elias by Elinor A Rivera 2022 RET and Rivera, Elinor A for \$660,000 on 07/09/24
137 Franklin St #305 was sold to Nelson, Edward and Zhang, Yuhua by Speranza Investments LLC for \$418,000 on 07/10/24
41 Governor Rd was sold to Dodge, Alexandra M and Dodge, Jed B by Surette, Naney A for \$660,000 on 07/08/24
100 Ledgeood Dr #314 was sold to Sewell, Christopher J by Florentino Nt and Fitzgerald, Maureen for \$515,500 on 07/10/24
3 Victoria Ln was sold to Headrick, Catherine and Headrick, Robert by Sweeney, Deborah A for \$723,000 on 07/09/24

TEWKSURY

6 Bonnie Ln was sold to Hogan, Corey and Hogan, Karen by Ferrelli Francis J Est and Ferrelli, Matthew F for \$785,000 on 07/12/24
71 Eagle Dr #71 was sold to Toppin, Denise by Lytle, Sami W and Lytle, Lisa M for \$575,000 on 07/08/24
1127 Emerald Ct #1127 was sold to

Guardino, Susan A by Cohen Liliana M Est and Romano, Andrew for \$475,000 on 07/12/24
21 Fox Run Dr was sold to Castrillon, Adriana M and Sequeira, Sara by Penny E Chandonnet Ft and Chandonnet, David J for \$830,000 on 07/10/24
32 Henry J Dr was sold to Hashem, Patrick and Lamacchia, Catherine by Bathey Ft and Bathey, Balakrishnan R for \$735,000 on 07/12/24
34 Jills Way #34 was sold to Gao, Yuanyaun by Lanoie Ft and Lanoie, Gary L for \$765,000 on 07/09/24
11 Kevin St was sold to Campos, William D by Gorman Ft and Gorman, Cathleen E for \$472,500 on 07/10/24
1501 Main St #19 was sold to 1501 Main Street LLC by Sherburne, Alan A for \$75,000 on 07/12/24
2131 Main St #310 was sold to Dada, Olugbenga A by 2131 Main Street LLC for \$714,999 on 07/12/24
53 Merrimack Meadows Ln #53 was sold to Arzu, Adreena and Ali, Zayne by Schurman, Tina M or \$430,000 on 07/09/24
81 Quail Run #81 was sold to Shah, Nishitbhai and Shah, Megha H by Barry, Maria J for \$441,000 on 07/11/24
31 Secor Way was sold to Anoli, Dolores by Donadio Ft and Donadio, Gabriel C for \$701,000 on 07/11/24

WAKEFIELD

12 Charles St was sold to Cederberg, Charles and Cederberg, Lindsay by Pinecrest Realty Vent LL for \$920,000 on 07/11/24
26 Quannapowitt Ave was sold to Deoliveira, Matthew and Deoliveira, Brittany by York, Suzanne H and York, Jeffrey F for \$1,015,000 on 07/08/24
7 Randall Ter was sold to Don Q Re Development LLC and Saturn Realty Group LLC by Deveau, Thomas M for \$465,000 on 07/11/24
38 Vale View Rd was sold to Dix, Elliot and Urso, Meghan by Melanson, Kathleen M for \$840,000 on 07/11/24

WILMINGTON

18 Boutwell St was sold to Mi, Gujie and Shi, Di by Bisson, Victor N and Bisson, Ellen J for \$1,280,000 on 07/09/24
283 Chestnut St was sold to Green, Steven and Stone, Jenna by Dutra, Sarah for \$800,000 on 07/09/24

118 Federal St was sold to Truong, Dieu K by Mcgilvray, Ann M for \$730,000 on 07/10/24
30 King St was sold to Petrulavage, Thomas and Dinush, Joan by Maimaron, Wanda P for \$750,000 on 07/12/24
168 Lowell St #25 was sold to Sorornejad, Neda and Sorornejad, Hamid by 168 Lowell Street LLC for \$709,900 on 07/12/24
642 Woburn St was sold to Snyder, Matthew G and Jandhyala, Megha by Gregory, Robert S and Gregory, Christina for \$832,500 on 07/10/24

WINCHESTER

17 Cross St was sold to Green, Boyd and Ajodah, Michelle by Bolian, Zachary and Resnevic, Kathryn for \$1,160,000 on 07/12/24
124 Forest St was sold to Rovito, Craig by Merrill, Elizabeth and Merrill, Shaun for \$1,425,000 on 07/11/24
7 Russett Ln was sold to Wang, Gang and Hou, Xiaorong by Manganaro, Geraldine A for \$2,070,000 on 07/11/24
350 S Border Rd was sold to Taing, Haychoi and Morita, Lauryn by Riccio, Paula for \$1,148,000 on 07/10/24
6 Stowell Rd was sold to Steinschneider, Matthew D and Meng, Shuzi by Brissette, Marc and Brissette, Jennifer for \$1,900,000 on 07/10/24

WOBURN

3 Brandt Dr was sold to 3 Brandt Rd LLC by Bettina K Fredrick RET and Macgee, Amanda L for \$603,000 on 07/10/24
165 Burlington St was sold to MaldenChelsea 1 LLC by Kalivas, Michael T and Yon, Christina for \$991,000 on 07/12/24
99 Prospect St was sold to Don Q Re Development LLC by Decandia Prop Invs LLC for \$322,500 on 07/08/24
20 Rich Rd was sold to Gentili, Matteo and Desilva, Nilushi by Elliot, Derek J and Elliot, Amy M for \$827,000 on 07/11/24
7 Valley Rd was sold to Walsh, Stephen M and Tassone, Lauren by Bucci, Victoria F and Bucci, Eric M for \$850,000 on 07/09/24
169 Winn St was sold to Miller, Joseph H and Wozniak, Kendra by Deteso, Susan M for \$855,000 on 07/11/24

Thursday, August 8, at 7:00 pm (Doors Open at 6:30 pm)

Arlington's historic Regent Theatre presents a tender reimagining of the Mr. Rogers' Neighborhood program

Join us for the premiere of Neighborhood, an original, 35-minute-long pilot created by Boston-local filmmakers on August 8th, 2024, at The Regent Theatre in Arlington.

Neighborhood is a tender and expansive reimagining of the Mr. Rogers' Neighborhood show, a new vision which looks at life's joys and challenges in a way that privileges the lens of love, kindness, and imagination. The program serves as a personal, televised invitation to the viewer, wherein the goal is not to impose answers, but to gently experiment with new ways of being in hopes of ushering in a world in which it is easier to love.

Creator Madeline Bugeau-Heartt writes that, "In times that feel so broken and strained, Neighborhood is

an offering to anyone in need of something honest, beautiful, and good." Neighborhood draws from the original formula of Mr. Rogers' Neighborhood, with for example, the inclusion of a "land of make-believe," the singing of songs, explorations with guests, and visits from reoccurring characters (including puppets!) Tonally and aesthetically, the team was excited to make this piece our own. Where Fred Rogers addressed children, Neighborhood addresses that spirit within each of us, adults and children alike, capable of great love and imagination.

Neighborhood started as Director Madeline Bugeau-Heartt's senior thesis project at the Harvard Divinity School. Madeline has been making theater and short films in both Boston and

NYC since graduating from NYU Tisch in 2013. Attending divinity school felt like an opportunity to "deepen" the container of art. In a recent interview, Madeline said of Fred Rogers, "Here's this guy, who was a minister, and who made this low-budget DIY children's show with puppets. The whole message of that show was about neighborhood, community, kindness, and goodness. About someone out there who loves you just the way you are. It changed people's lives. We don't have a lot of storytelling right now that encourages those values...Fred Rogers said that '...the greatest thing you can do is to let others know that they are loved and capable of loving.' How do you make something that encourages that?" As the world continues to



NEW VISION - 'Neighborhood' draws an original, 35-minute-long pilot created by Boston-local filmmakers on August 8th, at The Regent Theatre in Arlington.

speed up, and we seemingly face one violent-filled, historical event after the next, we need media that that helps us return to our best selves so that we might feel empowered to enact positive change and loving ways of being in life beyond the program itself. Come celebrate

this new pilot with us, which attempts to reignite the singular message of love that Fred Rogers graced us with those many years.

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Tewksbury Police Log

Mattapan resident charged with kidnapping, mayhem among other violations

Monday, July 22

7:50 a.m. - Call from the manager at Market Basket north. There were tents and parties in them cleared out and parked behind the building closer to the Clark Road side. There was also a white Toyota Camry parked in the parking lot near the Marshalls that had been there for multiple days and might have someone living in it. He would also like to move it along if possible. Police sent. They were able to locate the white Camry and spoke to the owner who has a place to stay. Parties just got tired and had to rest overnight.

4:54 p.m. - Caller reported a suspicious male knocking at her door at Chandler Street. Police sent. He spoke with the solicitor.

10:59 p.m. - Caller reported six vehicles with people causing disturbance at Dollar Tree. Police sent. Parties were spoken to and were leaving the area.

Tuesday, July 23

8:34 a.m. - Police sent for a transport to the police headquarters. Khale Guil-lou, 19, of 12 Perry Lane at Swanzy, New Hampshire, was arrested and charged with straight warrant of assault with dangerous weapon and possess firearm without license.

8:49 p.m. - A 911 caller reported a customer was throwing items at him at Petrol Station. Vehicle described as a white truck taking a right out of the lot. Caller stated male party in his 30s threw lighters. Police sent. They located the vehicle at Planet Fitness. Officer filed a report.

Wednesday, July 24

2 a.m. - Police out with a motor vehicle at Mitchell G Drive. He was just waiting for his friend. Everything cleared.

7:52 a.m. - Caller reported former employee was on the property throwing trash and they would like an officer to go there and speak with them at Ballard Truck. Police sent and officer filed a report.

11:10 a.m. - Caller reported an erratic driver at White Avenue and Trull Road. Caller stated he pulled into a driveway and knocked over a garbage can then backed onto the neighbors yard. Police sent but gone on arrival.

11:55 a.m. - Walk in reported they were assaulted and had items stolen from them at Motel 6. Police sent. Isiah James, 28, of 145 Savannah Ave. at Mattapan, was arrested and charged with assault and battery with dangerous weapon of shod foot, assault and battery with dangerous weapon with skateboard, assault and battery with lighter, kidnapping, mayhem, intimidate aggravated witness/jury/police/court, exhortation by threatening of injury, vandalize property, threat to commit crime, and unarmed robbery.

11:26 p.m. - Cars parked in parking lot with people walking around the property with flashlights at Meadowlands Ice Cream. Police sent. Officer checked the property. All ap-

peared secure and no one was on the property.

Thursday, July 25

8:49 a.m. - Caller at Navillus Road requested to speak with an officer about items found in the woods behind her house. She believed there may be homeless people living there. Police sent. Homeowner was spoken to. No reason to believe there was a homeless encampment there.

1:55 p.m. - Caller at Walmart believed he was being scammed by parties that approached him inside the store, saying they would give him a \$500 Walmart gift card if they could verify that he was a National Grid customer by giving his personal information. Caller reported he asked the service desk to speak with a manager to verify if these people were permitted to be there and the service desk refused. Police sent. All parties walked out prior to his arrival.

11:18 pm - A 911 caller reported people screaming and threatening each

other, separated at this time at Marriot Residence Inn. One party possibly in building 3 and the other in building 511. This occurred 10 minutes ago. Police sent. Officer filed a report.

Friday, July 26

7:42 a.m. - Security wanted to talk to an officer about a homeless couple living in a car on their property at Radcliffe Road. They would like them removed. Caller was in the security office at the front entrance. Police sent. The male was spoken to and moved along off the property.

2:59 p.m. - A 911 caller reported male party was attempting to give her an adult toy at Oakdale Liquors. Male party described as a thin male, not white or black wearing black rimmed glasses and curly short hair. Police sent and officer filed a report.

Saturday, July 27

2:48 a.m. - Police reported dirt bikes driving erratically at Main Street. All units cleared when they were gone on arrival.

5:53 a.m. - Police found two vehicles parked in front of the home on Anthony Road. One of the vehicles had its trunk open and the other had a door open. Police reported speaking to the homeowner's

son, who was looking through the vehicles last night and forgot to close them.

10:33 p.m. - Caller at Old Shawsheen Street reported a male party was in his driveway singing karaoke very loudly. Caller reported he seemed very intoxicated. Police sent. They spoke with the residents. They believed the noise was coming from the Elks Club. They confirmed the noise was coming from an AC/DC cover band at the Elks. They were wrapping up.

Sunday, July 28

10:48 a.m. - Caller looked to speak to an officer about his neighbor who threatened him and his dog at North Billerica Road. Police sent. Both parties had been spoken to. Officer filed a report.

3:20 p.m. - Front desk at Motel 6 reported there was a naked woman who ran into the office claiming she was possibly assaulted by a male party in her room. The female does not need medical assistance. Police sent. Officer reported no assault occurred and filed a report.

4:21 p.m. - Market Basket manager reported a male and female hanging out front asking customers for money. Police sent. The parties were leaving the area.



Wilmington Police Log

Tewksbury resident busted for alleged shoplifting

Friday, July 19:

6:44 a.m.: The MBTA called, requesting assistance after an unruly passenger threw a water bottle at the conductor at the MBTA station on Main Street. Peace was restored, and the two men involved in the incident were allowed back on the train.

4:23 p.m.: A blue 2017 Infiniti QX60 and a black 2009 Kia Rio were involved in a motor vehicle accident near the Savers on Main Street. Airbags were deployed, but no injuries were reported.

8:04 p.m.: Joseph Landry of 1082 Main St., Apt. #A, in Tewksbury, was issued a summons for shoplifting by asportation. This followed an employee at the Market Basket on Main Street reporting that a customer drove out of the store in a mart cart carrying about \$125 of laundry detergent, then got into a car and left.

Saturday, July 20:

1:22 p.m.: A caller at the Market Basket on Main Street reported that a woman in the parking lot was begging for money, and refused to leave after management asked her to leave. Police talked to the woman, and she indicated she would be finding a

new location for the day.

7:36 p.m.: Keolis called requesting assistance for an unruly train passenger at the inbound side of the station on Main Street. The woman in question was sent on her way.

10:19 p.m.: A caller on Butters Row reported that she had work done on her vehicle, but when she went to the house where it was to pick it up, the woman refused to give her car keys back. Eventually, the caller was able to get her car keys back, but before the call was disconnected, a man approached the vehicle yelling. When police arrived, a verbal argument had ensued, but they were able to restore peace, and the car was driven home.

Sunday, July 21:

1:31 a.m.: Junior Athis of 14 Spruce St., in Lawrence, was issued a summons for unlicensed operation of a motor vehicle, having an obstructed or nontransparent window, and not having a valid inspection sticker. This followed a stop of his green 2000 Honda Accord on River Street.

9:40 a.m.: Police witnessed a motor vehicle accident involving a red 2018 Nissan Maxima and a

white 2006 GMC Sierra. One passenger was transported by the fire department due to injuries.

Monday, July 22:

1:02 a.m.: Wilmington police assisted state police, when the state police reported that a gray 2019 Hyundai Sonata had failed to stop for police on I-93 NB, and exited onto Middlesex Avenue. The car was later confirmed to be a stolen vehicle from Stoneham.

Tuesday, July 23:

TEWKSBURY — The Tewksbury Community Market is open on Thursday, August 1, from 4 to 7 p.m., at Livingston Street Park, behind the Recreation Center (288 Livingston St.).

The Aug. 1 market will feature 30 vendors, including:

FOOD VENDORS:

- Aaronap Cellars (farm wine)
- Bittersweet Herb Farm (jams, oils, balsamic vinegar, seasonings, finishing sauces)
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- The Cozy Crumb (decorative royal icing sugar cookies)
- Craic Sauce (hot sauce)
- Cupcake City (cupcakes)
- Drive-By Pies (fruit pies, meat pies)
- Empanada Dada Food Truck (empanadas)

9:48 a.m.: Police received reports that a large truck had pulled down wires in the area of Main Street, with cable wires down on Breed Avenue in Woburn, and in the area of 957 Main St. Police notified Comcast and Woburn police.

2:10 p.m.: Steven Nieves of 185 East St., Apt. #2, in Pawtucket, RI, was arrested for a subsequent offense of operating a motor vehicle with a suspended license, and a first offense of operating an electronic device while operating a motor vehicle. This followed a stop of his black 2022 Ford Transit on Lowell Street.

5:19 p.m.: A gray 2010 Subaru Outback and a red 2018 Honda CR-V were involved in a minor motor vehicle accident on Concord Street. No airbags were deployed, and no

injuries were reported. Police assisted with paperwork exchange.

Wednesday, July 24:

11:48 a.m.: A caller at Two Point O Truck Repair on Andover Street reported that his employee went to pick up some equipment when the business ended up blocking him in and refusing to let him leave. The caller and the business were advised that this is a civil issue, and they would attempt to resolve the situation.

4:53 p.m.: A caller on Nassau Avenue reported that a child who lived next door was yelling profanities at her and harassing her. Police spoke to the caller and the child's parents, advising them of their options.

7:21 p.m.: A black 2012 Nissan Altima was invol-

ved in a motor vehicle accident with a motorcycle on Concord Street. The driver of the motorcycle received road rash on both their arm and back. The fire department transported the injured motorcyclist.

Thursday, July 25:

2:04 a.m.: Two juveniles were seen riding bikes on Church Street. It was confirmed that the juveniles were heading back from CVS, and their parents were OK with this, so the juveniles were sent on their way.

9:21 p.m.: A juvenile at the MBTA station on Main Street reported that she had missed her stop, and was scared to wait for her mother by herself, so asked for an officer to accompany her. The juvenile was later picked up.

Tewksbury Community Market to host face painter

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- Farmer Palmer (garden products)
- F-Word Farm (craft vinegar)
- Kona Ice (shaved ice/snow cones)
- Liberty Hill Farm (fresh colorful produce, mushroom, fresh eggs)
- Olive World (marinated olives, olive tapenades, Moroccan olive oil, almond butter)
- Pleasant Valley Gardens (fresh vegetables, local fruit, aprons, hats, tote bags, pouches)
- Polish Prince Pierogi (pierogi & chrusciki)
- Purple Carrot Bread (artisan breads, cinnamon rolls, soft pretzels, croissants, cookies)
- Seafood Express (fresh & frozen prepared seafood)
- Sophie's Apples (candy apples)
- The Stand "Shaken Not Stirred" (fresh squeezed lemonade)
- Tewksbury Honey (honey & honey related products)
- Tewksbury Public Li-

brary Community Garden (organic vegetables, fruit, flowers)

- What The Fork Food Truck (smash burgers, chicken sandwiches, fries & more)

ARTISANS & CRAFTERS:

- Face Painting with Courtney Finn
- Frank's Innovative Bird Creations (bird sculptures)
- Kidz Kouture (headbands, hair bows)
- Lilybell's (upscale thrifted clothes, houseplants, crocheted decor, seasonal flowers)
- Lorraine's Crafts (hanging towels, placemats, table runners, bibs, aprons)
- Needful Things Thrift (beaded bracelets, earrings, rings, necklaces)
- Soak It In Artisan Soap (soaps, bath products, cosmetics)

The Tewksbury Community Market runs from 4 to 7 p.m. every Thursday

in June, July, August and September (minus July 4). Please note the Market has more than 70 vendors (30-35 each at any given market) and its lineup changes from week to week.

Visit the Tewksbury Community Market's website at www.tewksbury-market.com to learn more. Follow the Tewksbury Community Market's Facebook (@TewksburyMarket), Twitter (@TewksburyMarket), and Instagram (@TewksburyCommunityMarket) for additional market updates throughout the season.

Have a question about the market? Contact Community/Economic Development Planner Alex Lowder at 978-640-4370 x 248 or alowder@tewksbury-ma.gov and Community Outreach Librarian Robert Hayes at 978-640-4490 x 205 or rhayes@tewksburypl.org.

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Vitale graduates from Roger Williams University

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► Josiah Martinez makes a catch while being tackled.
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▼ Princwell Iwajuo hauls in a difficult catch for the Eagles.
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Mill City Eagles win another one

ECFL team improves to 6-0 with lopsided win over Titans

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The Mill City Eagles improved to 6-0 on the season with a 38-15 win over the visiting Troy City Titans in East Coast Football League action Saturday at Cawley Stadium in Lowell.

The Eagles will look for

win No. 7 on Saturday at Cawley when they host the Haverhill Hitmen at 7 p.m.

Mill City also plays at home Aug. 10 against the Valley Generals and Aug. 17 against the Randolph Oilers.

The Titans led 7-6 at the end of the first quarter, but the good news ended their for the visitors as Mill City scored 26 unanswered points in the second quarter for a 32-7 lead at half-time.

A fast-moving second half produced only 14 points as the Eagles cruised to the finish line.

A 1-yard run by running back Josh Pierre-Charles gave the Eagles a 6-0 lead before the Titans answered with a 30-yard touchdown pass late in the quarter.

Pierre-Charles scored on a 40-yard run to put Mill City ahead to stay before a 2-yard scoring run by quarterback Calvin Boudreau made it 20-7.

Boudreau added touchdown passes to Tyler Saunders and Josiah Martinez before intermission.

Defensively, Mill City had second-quarter interceptions from Mark Federico Jr. and Darrin Cooper.

In the third quarter, Boudreau completed the scoring for the Eagles with a 20-yard pass to Princwell Iwajuo to make it 38-7.

The Titans added a late touchdown in the fourth quarter.

Martinez finished with 151 receiving yards for the Eagles, nearly half of the 320 yards that Boudreau threw for.

Colby LaPorte had a team-high 10 tackles for Mill City.

► Josh Pierre-Charles picks up some yardage during Saturday's game.
(Joe Brown photo)



11U Wildcats keep rolling with three more wins

After starting the second season of the Bay State League with a respectable 2-2 record, the 11U Wildcats faced many tough challenges over the course of last week including two rematches against teams they lost to the first week of the season.

On Tuesday, the Wildcats faced Lexington at Rotary Park and earned a 3-0 win on their home field. Joe Langone commanded the

mound with a 6 inning complete game shutout. Langone allowed just one hit and one walk. The Wildcats defense was outstanding in this game playing six innings of error-free baseball. Declan Riley caught a great game while blocking many pitches in front of the plate. Jake Russell, Zach Stroud, Bryce Callahan, and Josh King made some key defensive plays which helped lead

the Wildcats to a big win!

On Thursday, the Wildcats faced undefeated Winchester. Wilmington jumped out to a 3-1 lead in the third inning following key hits by Blake Kelleher and Zach Stroud. Owen Daly and Jack Quinn both pitched very well in this game. Winchester's bats got going in the 4th inning with a key 5 run rally to propel them to an 8-4 win.

On Saturday, Wilmington

had a rematch against Woburn. Woburn defeated the Wildcats 4-2 at Rotary Park just a week earlier. Zach Stroud was dominant on the mound pitching 4.2 innings strong innings of shutout baseball while striking out eight.

Heading into the 3rd inning of the game the Wildcats had a 1-0 lead. They pushed the lead to 4-0 after a key double by Jack Quinn. The Wildcats of-

fense exploded in the 5th inning with six more runs including key hits by Joe Langone, Jake Russell, Declan Riley, John Boland, Josh King, and Bryce Callahan.

Russell had three hits in the game leading the offense. Wildcats prevailed with a 11-0 win over Woburn.

On Sunday, the Wildcats had another rematch game against Cambridge who

had defeated Wilmington 8-6 the previous week. The Wildcats continued their strong play with a 9-2 win in Cambridge.

It was a 0-0 score going into the top of the fourth inning, when the Wildcats open the game up with a huge nine-run innings. Luca Dicenso and Bryce Callahan both scored two runs in the inning. Jake

Wilmington 11U team is on a roll

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Russell made several key defensive plays at second base and had two hits in the game. Joe Langone pitched 4.2 innings with six strikeouts allowing two runs on four hits.

Callahan closed out the game on the mound with 1.1 strong innings.

After the strong week of baseball, the Wildcats now

prepare for games against Winchester and Lexington this week. They will then have an opportunity to play in the Bay State League Trophy weekend on Saturday following the strong 5-3 start to the second season. The Wildcats now have a respectable 7-9 record in their first year in the Bay State League and have won three of their last four games.

(Courtesy photo)



▲ The Tewksbury 12U team won the Conway tournament on Saturday.

(Courtesy photo)

Tewksbury 12U team takes title

*Redmen win tight
championship game over Burlington*

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TEWKSBURY — They just didn't have an answer for Billy Sullivan.

The Tewksbury 12U hurler was a force to be reckoned with on the bump in

Friday night's Conway Tournament Championship, totaling 12 strikeouts in 4.2 innings of work to fuel Tewksbury to a 3-2 win over Burlington.

The Redmen were crowned champions after a 4-1 trek through the tournament, avenging their one

loss when it mattered most after previously falling to the Red Devils, 4-0, in round-robin play.

With the help of Sullivan and a two-run homer from Alex Bouchie, the Redmen put all the pieces together to hoist the trophy under the lights on home turf at Poulin Field.

"That was a good baseball game," said Redmen coach Brian Schofield. "I thought we had control of it pretty much the whole time, but one little blooper or one little hit and we could have lost that game. We've been playing a lot of good ball."

Though Tewksbury notched one less hit in Friday's matchup than they did in their earlier defeat to Burlington, they capitalized on the right ones. Pair that timeliness with Sullivan's masterclass and 1.1 innings of scoreless, four-strikeout work from Gennaro Parziale, and it was just what the doctor ordered to flip the script.

"It could have went either way," said Burlington



▲ Tewksbury was safe after a rundown during Friday's game with Burlington.

(Joe Brown photo)

bench boss Eric Sullivan. "The last game we got a couple of runs on passed balls, and tonight that home run was the difference. That one hit was definitely the difference."

Both starters commenced a pitcher's duel out of the gate, holding each side scoreless through the first two frames. Sullivan found his stuff early, making easy work of the opposition.

"He pitched a heck of a game," Schofield said. "He's been really great down the stretch the last three or four starts. When he's on and he's emotional, he can feed off that energy."

And although Tewksbury's first run didn't come from a hit in the third inning, it's what opened the scoring in what was a pivotal first score.

After three straight walks loaded the bases, Bouchie forced a rundown at third base before a wild throw left him dancing to home plate.

In the fifth, Bouchie made his mark yet again. This time, it was a scorching two-run long ball over the center field fence to score Aiden Maurier, who reached on a single.

"We were trying to tell the kids to go the other way," said Schofield. "Aiden Maurier went the other way and got a nice hit to get on base for Alex Bouchie to come through with the big home run. It was huge."

But Burlington wasn't ready to succumb to Tewksbury's fireworks just yet.

The Red Devils scored two runs in the bottom half of the frame, forcing Sullivan off the mound. Little did they know, Parziale was behind him, picking up four strikeouts to silence any comeback attempt and deliver the title.

"Gennaro didn't have it up at bat tonight, but he came through with the pitching," said Schofield.

Tewksbury then returned to Bay State League play, dropping two contests over the weekend to NA Select, 9-3, and Reading, 15-5.

In its 9-3 defeat on Saturday, an eight-run sixth inning evaporated Tewksbury's lead amid a five-hit

salvo that broke the game open.

After allowing a first-inning score, Tewksbury jumped in front in the bottom half when Parziale and Bouchie drove in runs to take a 2-1 lead.

Jackson Schofield, Alex Solemina, AJ Bernier, and Lance McLean all collected hits in the loss behind a strong outing from Parziale on the bump with 5.0 innings and nine strikeouts.

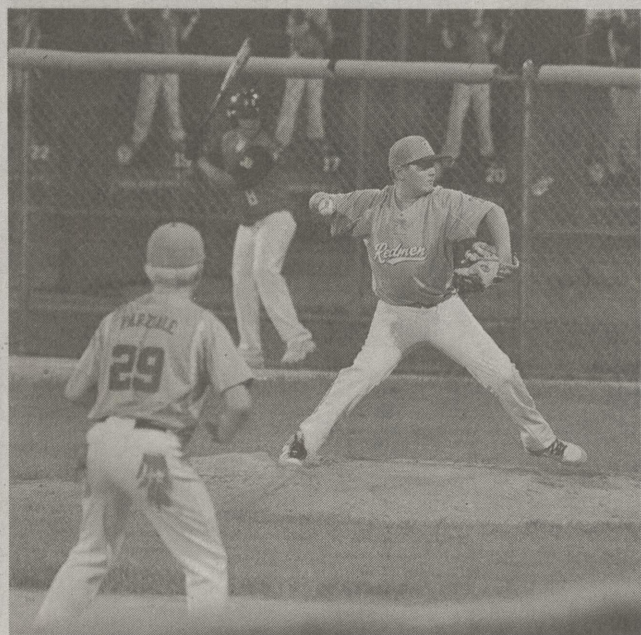
On Sunday, Tewksbury simply couldn't catch up to Reading's early 6-1 lead after two innings.

Maurier ripped an RBI double into right field to plate Solemina in the second, putting Tewksbury on the board to cut into the deficit. But three more Reading scores in the third made it even harder to climb out of the hole.

That's not to say Tewksbury didn't try, though. McLean unleashed a three-run home run in the bottom of the inning, cutting the lead to 9-4 before a five-run fifth dissipated any chance of coming back.

Parziale hit a home run, as Schofield, Solemina, and Liam Hussey had hits in the loss to round out the offense.

Tewksbury closes out its summer in the Bay State League this week against NA (Tuesday) and Bedford (Thursday).



▲ Billy Sullivan throws a pitch for the Redmen.

(Joe Brown photo)



▲ A Burlington runner tries to beat a throw.

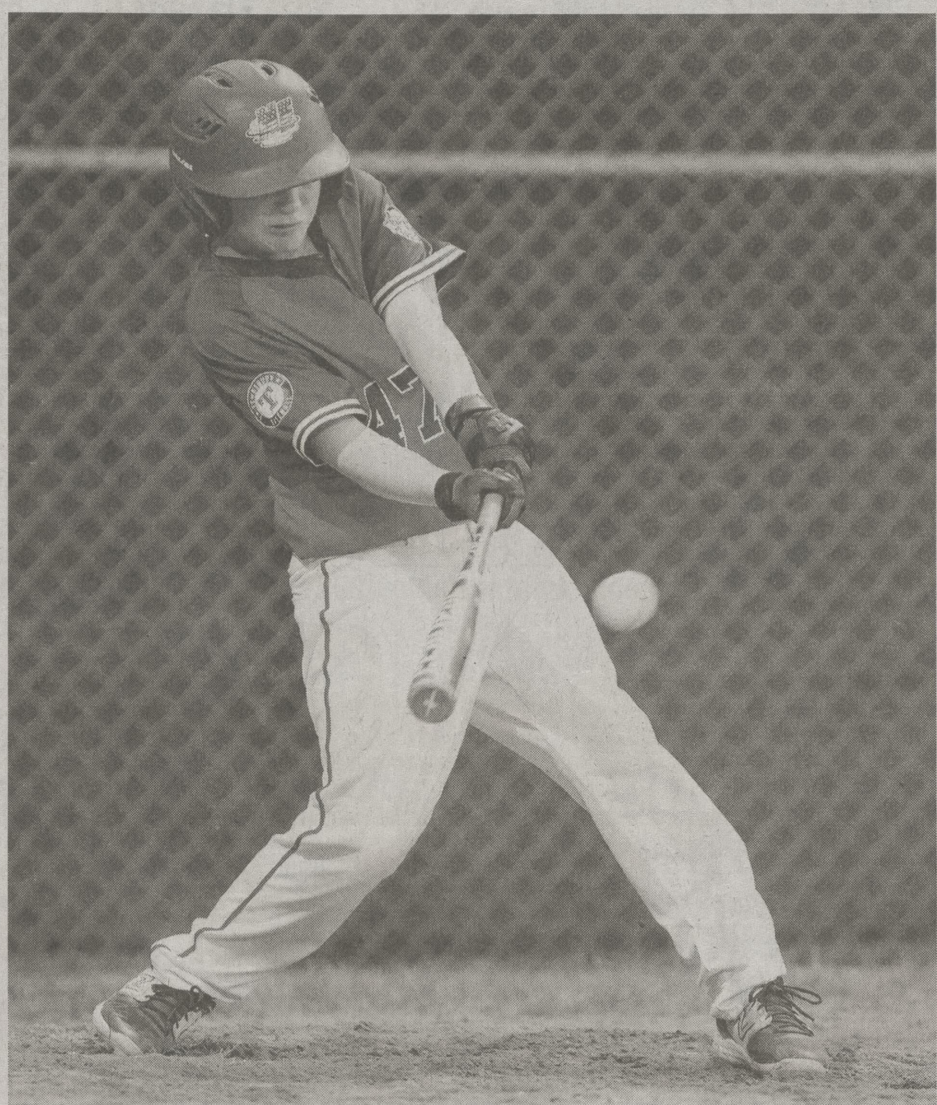
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10U team reaches Conway finals

Tewksbury topped by Hudson, N.H. in title game



▲ Sam Trowbridge of Tewksbury makes a throw over to first base for an out during a game against Georgetown. (James Thomas Photography)



▲ Owen Brett of Tewksbury is in the windup as he gets set to deliver a pitch to Evan Kulesa of Georgetown.

◀ Michael Kippenberger of Tewksbury belts one for an RBI double in a game against Georgetown. (James Thomas Photography)

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TEWKSBURY — After storming to a perfect 3-0 record in Conway Tournament pool play, the top-seeded Tewksbury 10U team came up just short in the title game against Hudson, NH on Saturday in a 7-2 defeat.

The Redmen managed to formulate an 8-4 win over Hudson in the opening game of the tournament, but ultimately could not overcome an early 4-0 deficit on Saturday. Though Tewksbury notched seven hits, the Redmen couldn't break through until the bottom of the fifth inning when Matthew Lanterman and Drew Lamarche both stole home.

Lanterman and Connor Bresnahan reached on

walks before Lamarche singled to set up the subsequent scores. But at that point, Hudson had already tacked on another pair of runs, and the 7-2 score stood as the winning recipe.

Lamarche headlined the offense with three hits, followed by knocks from Owen Brett, Jack Magary, and Cam Sheehan.

Magary put forth 3.2 innings of relief on the bump, allowing three hits while fanning six batters. On their way to the title game, Tewksbury rolled past Georgetown, 10-4, on Thursday to advance to the final.

Five different Redmen had two-hit performances, including Lamarche, Brett, Magary, Mike Kippenberger, and Sheehan en route to an explosive eight-run salvo in the

third inning.

Tewksbury didn't waste any time getting on the board, taking a 1-0 lead in the first on a Kippenberger RBI that brought in Sam Trowbridge. Magary then stole home to double their advantage to 2-0.

In response to Georgetown cutting its lead in half the following inning, Tewksbury added to its cushion in an offensive flurry in the third.

Sheehan, Kippenberger, Lanterman, Brett, and Trowbridge all drove in runs in the frame to take a 10-1 advantage into the fourth.

Meanwhile, a combination of Brett, Magary, and Trowbridge were perfect on the mound, allowing just five Georgetown hits.

Brett and Magary each struck out three batters.

Wildcats win another one

Wilmington 10U team is too much for Sudbury

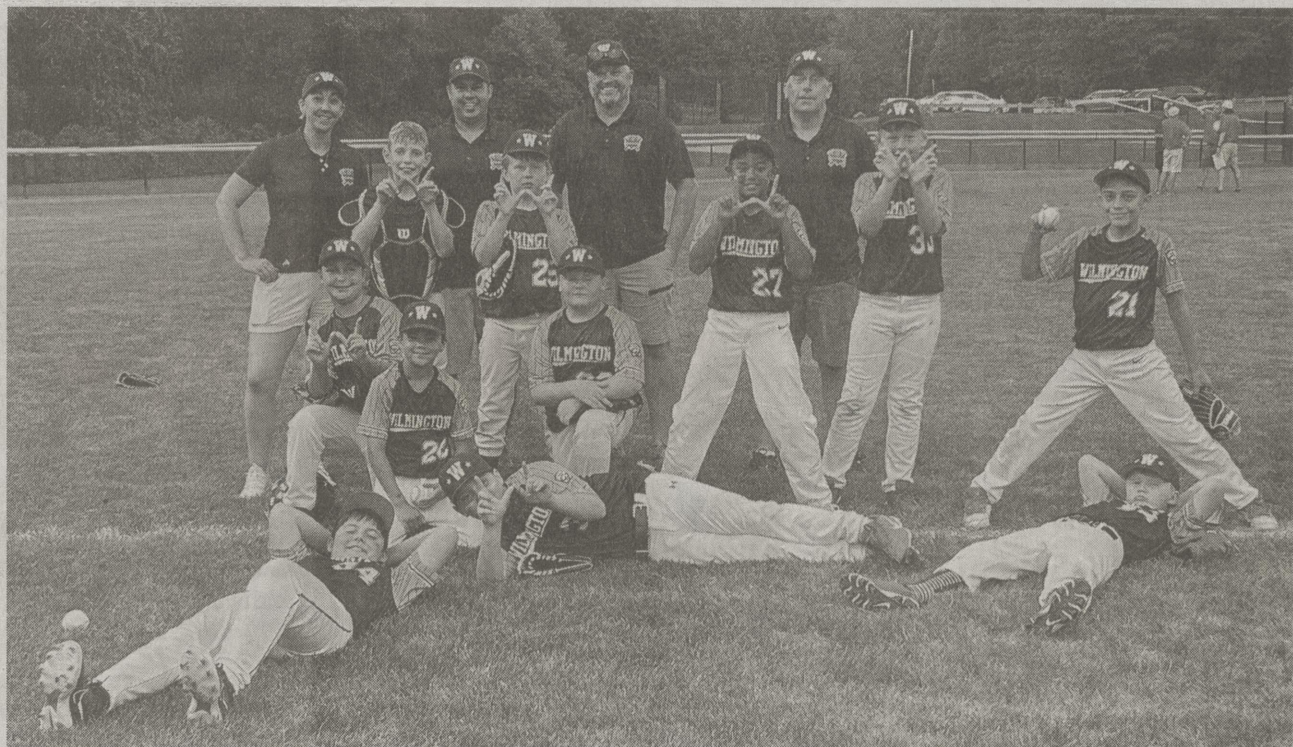
The 10U Wildcats remained hot, earning a 16-6 Bay State Baseball Tournament win over Sudbury on Monday, July 22 at Featherland Field in Sudbury.

Kody Castellano and Jack Cottini pitched outstanding for Wilmington as they combined to strikeout seven and only give up six hits. Catcher, Eoghan Barry played tough all night keeping the Sudbury base runners in check.

The Wildcats hammered the ball all game.

The Wildcats hammered the ball all game. Eoghan Barry, Kody Castellano, Jack Cottini, Gabe Cruz, Luke DiGiovanni, Cam McLaughlin, Lucas Tran, and Anthony Trimarchi all had big hits for Wilmington.

"These kids continue to get better each game and our coaches are very proud of them," said manager Nick Castellano. "My



▲ The Wilmington 10U baseball team beat Sudbury last week.

(Courtesy photo)

coaching staff that includes Dan Barry, Meg-

han Cruz, Mike Irving and Dave McLaughlin have

been incredible preparing these kids to play at this

level and providing a fun, positive team culture."

Macauda is junior city champion

TMHS junior dazzles in memorable performance

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TYNGSBOROUGH — Being a Junior City Champion wasn't exactly on Michael Macaуда's mind when he picked up golfing last summer.

Because those who play golf regularly know how difficult it really is.

It's easier said than done to strike a perfectly-hit ball down the center of the fairway.

Even the most gifted and talented athletes learn quickly that golf is a whole other animal.

It's discouraging. But here he is. The rising Tewksbury High junior is Lowell Junior City champ after just one year of playing, shooting a 5-over-par 77 at Vesper CC Monday afternoon in a competitive field of 17 golfers.

"I was coming in thinking just to play decent in the middle of the pack, but I played great," said Macaуда, representing Long Meadow. "It was the best round I've ever played."

That's an understatement.

Macaуда scored an eagle, 10 pars, and just seven bogeys on a rather challenging course that included sloped greens and unforgiving rough. And he did it when the pressure was on.

When he drilled a 20-foot eagle putt on the 476-yard, par-five on the fifth hole, Macaуда realized he could have the round for the ages. He was no longer gunning for a net score in the 80s after putting up a 79 at the Long Meadow Club Championship earlier this month.

"I didn't think I was going to play as good, but I was hoping for low 80s,"

he said. "After I eagled, (I knew I had a shot). I was two-over and I eagled that to be even. After nine, I knew if I kept it up, I could have a good round."

He finished the first round just one stroke over par, making four bogeys and five pars on the back to roll an impressive 77.

"My tee shot and my driver helped, but mostly my short game helped out a lot," Macaуда said. "I made some really good putts."

Macaуда putted well enough to edge talented phenom Matt Tramonte, another Tewksbury resident who is playing collegiate golf at Salem State after quite the four-year career at Shawsheen Tech.

He leaves the Rams as a three-time CAC Player of the Year, while also having a pair of Junior City titles under his belt. He shot a 4-under 66 last sum-

mer before coming short by two shots to Macaуда on Monday. His 7-over 79 landed him in second place.

"He's very consistent and always shooting pretty low," Macaуда said of Tramonte. "He's good."

But Macaуда wasn't the only golfer to hoist the trophy. His efforts quarter-backed Long Meadow's overall team victory, posting a 324 between Macaуда, Tramonte, Keegan Hunt, Shane Peters, and Tewksbury resident Jeremy Insogna.

"It's great," Macaуда said. "It's good to see that we all win."

Macaуда has become familiar with his Long Meadow crew, logging 18 holes nearly every day throughout the summer on his home course.

"Definitely my tee shots," he said of where he's get-



▲ Michael Macaуда of Tewksbury won the Lowell Junior City title recently. (Courtesy photo)

ting better. "I'm hitting them straight now. All summer I've been playing

at Long Meadow, playing like 18 holes every day. That's really helped."



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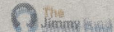
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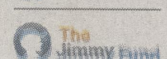
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